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TUC demand for minimum national wage

● The TUC agreed that a future Labour government should introduce a statutory minimum wage

● The resolution was carried despite strong opposition from Mr Eric Hammond and Mr Ron Todd

● The commitment, which makes no reference to figures, could cause difficulties for Mr Kinnock if elected

● Demands for increased funding for all areas of education were passed unanimously. Page 4

By Nicholas Wood and Tim Jones

The Trades Union Congress agreed in Brighton yesterday that the next Labour government should introduce a statutory national minimum wage for about eight million low-paid workers despite opposition from powerful union leaders.

An alliance between the electricians and the transport workers failed to persuade delegates that they were taking the first step towards legally enforced wage control.

In any event, they were told, they were cruelly raising hopes that would never be fulfilled because the price was too high.

But an impassioned plea from Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, to end "exploitation in Thatcher's Britain" was closer to the mood of the conference.

He said: "If it's OK for the Tories to bring in laws making the rich richer, it's OK for us to bring in laws to stop the poor getting poorer".

However, the commitment, which unions such as Nupe have been trying to achieve for 20 years, could cause difficulties for Mr Neil Kinnock if he achieves power.

For, while the Labour leader supports the principle of a wages floor, enshrined in a joint policy document agreed by his party's national executive committee and the TUC General Council in July, he is known to be concerned about the costs and will resist pressure for its precipitate introduction.

The resolution passed without a card vote makes no specific reference to figures, but Mr Bickerstaffe has his sights set on £116 a week, two thirds of average earnings.

Swift implementation would land industry and a future Labour Chancellor with a colossal bill and much will depend on how union leaders interpret the clause in the motion saying that the minimum wage should be "phased in, rising from its initial level to reach its target level within a fixed period".

Introducing the motion, Mr Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary, conceded that there would be "hard graft" over the target figure in the national economic assessment — the summit between trade union leaders and Labour ministers planned for immediately after an election victory.

Mr Bickerstaff argued strongly that delegates had a moral obligation to provide a legal safety net to protect their fellow workers from poverty.

But Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Trades Union, and Mr Ron Todd, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, retorted that the wages move could have precisely the opposite effect to the one intended.

Mr Hammond said: "Competitive industry cannot be rejigged into some sort of social service. We cannot run a successful industry like an out-patients department of the DHSS."

In an uncompromising defence of wage differentials, he said skill and responsibility *had to be rewarded through* free collective bargaining to create the prosperity to deal with poverty.

Mr Todd said that a statutory minimum could drag down wages if set too low

"It could be used as a lever to depress wage levels...It could even be the slippery road to a statutory incomes policy."

Mrs Margaret Thatcher pausing to admire Ryan Mason, aged six months, during a visit to Furness General Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness, yesterday. Photograph Harry Kerr.

Family murder manhunt for former servant

By Michael Horsnell

Murder squad detectives investigating the brutal killings of five people in Hampshire launched nationwide manhunt yesterday for a former servant at the house where the tragedy occurred.

The man, described by police as violent, was named as George Francis Stephenson, aged 35, who was sacked only four weeks ago by his elderly employer, retired London publisher Joseph Cleaver.

The charred bodies of Mr Cleaver, aged 80, his disabled wife, Hilda, aged 70, their son Thomas, aged 50, daughter-in-law Wendy, aged 40, and live-in nurse Ms Margaret Murphy, aged 70, were found on Monday in different bedrooms of their isolated house at Fordingbridge after they had been strangled and set on fire.

The hunt for Stephenson last night switched to the Midlands, where police were asked to assist murder squad detectives from Hampshire. This followed the discovery that Stephenson had returned a hire car to a garage in Coventry the morning after the brutal killings.

Police said that Stephenson hired the red Rover, C352 YRW, from a firm in the city at 10.40am on Monday and returned it 24 hours later at precisely the time the charred bodies. Stephenson is known to have hired the vehicle in the company of two other men.

A police spokesman in Hampshire said that Stephenson may have since hired another vehicle in the Coventry area and could now be anywhere in the country.

George Stephenson: Police say he is dangerous.

Det Chief Supt Alan Wheeler described Stephenson as a dangerous and violent man who may be armed, and warned people not to approach him.

He said that three shotguns and a .22 rifle, probably with ammunition, had been stolen from the fire-damaged property Burgate House at Fordingbridge, and warned that Stephenson could be armed.

Stephenson, 5ft 9in tall, of medium build, with blue eyes and brown hair, had worked as a handyman for the Cleavers for two months, but on August 8 he and his wife were fired after a row and ordered to vacate their tied cottage on the Cleaver estate.

His wife, a general domestic help from whom he separated the day they were sacked, was yesterday helping police inquiries.

Police yesterday recovered a television set which had also been stolen from the house

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Soviet press tells of heroism in liner crash rescue

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

At the very moment that the ill-fated Soviet liner the Admiral Nakhimov was in collision with a large Soviet cargo ship last Sunday night, scores of its unsuspecting passengers were out on the top deck dancing in the open air to the ship's orchestra and completely unaware of the danger which awaited them.

This was one of the many graphic details of the disaster — one of the worst of its kind since the sinking of the Titanic in 1912 — provided by the accounts printed at length in the official Soviet press, which shifted from its earlier practice and provided the fullest and swiftest description of a domestic catastrophe ever given.

According to Western diplomatic sources, the timing and character of the coverage was *ordered directly by Mr* Mikhail Gorbachov, the Kremlin leader, from his holiday retreat.

The accounts made clear that the dancers were probably among the lucky ones as most of the 319 bodies still unaccounted for last night were believed to have been people trapped below decks in their cabins when the vessel went down in a horrifying 15 minutes which left no time for the launching of the lifeboats.

Throughout yesterday, teams of Soviet divers continued their rescue attempt, but no one held out any chance of finding more people alive. The purpose of the continuing operation was to try and reach the hull of the ship 157 ft down and determine whether the bodies could be recovered.

According to the Soviet newspapers, 64 rescue boats set out the seven miles from the coast to try and recover the hundreds of survivors, many of whom were clinging to small liferafts. As is customary with Soviet disaster reporting, many individual examples of heroism were cited.

One of the sailors involved in the dramatic rescue, conducted in the pitch darkness of a Black Sea night and assisted only by the beams of searchlights from the distant shore, explained: "The water was covered with a layer of fuel, paint and thick black oil. The paint was evidently from a cracked tub and all of this stuck around the life-rafts, the people and the objects which had been on board the liner.

"People who grew weak often could not grip the rescuers' hands and sailors at the risk of their own lives dived into the water themselves."

The eye-witness accounts made clear that many of those floundering in the rough sea were nearly naked, having escaped over the side in either their night or party clothes.

One of the sailors told how rescuers in his patrol boat had

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Ted Moult, bluff voice of farming, found dead

By Alan Hamilton

Ted Moult, the Derbyshire farmer who made a virtue and a broadcasting career out of no-nonsense bluffness, was found dead of gunshot wounds at his home yesterday. His family said he had suffered a brief but unspecified illness, and confirmed that he had taken his own life.

Mr Moult, aged 60, was found dead in the office of his 300-acre farm at Ticknall.

Mr Moult: Family said he committed suicide.

Police said they were satisfied that no one else had been involved.

His death shocked residents, who recalled him as a popular man unspoilt by fame, radio colleagues who created a character in *The Archers* for him in an effort to capture his untamed personality, and the double-glazing company whose products he extolled.

Neighbours said he appeared to have been suffering from depression.

Mr Jock Gallagher, head of *network radio for the BBC in* Birmingham said Mr Moult "was one of those larger-than-life characters who always brought a great deal of fresh air into the studio".

Although he had been broadcasting for many years, he "had never lost the essential countryman's quality that made him so refreshing to work with and to listen to".

True to his public persona, Mr Moult, who was married with six children, always claimed that broadcasting was never more than an essentially frivolous sideline to his proper business of farming.

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BT price changes favour businesses

British Telecom yesterday announced a package of price changes likely to reduce the telephone bills of large companies but increase those of the average private consumer.

It said the changes — which, if approved, will take effect in November — represented an overall reduction in charges of 0.3 per cent.

The Telecom Users' Association, a consumer group, however, claimed the changes actually disguised an overall price rise.

British Telecom claims that before privatization, profits from long-distance calls subsidized local calls. It says the changes will create a fairer balance between costs and charges for specific services.

It has also been said that the price changes will help the company face competition from Mercury, the country's alternative telephone network which is trying to attract business customers. This, however, was denied by a company spokesman who said: "It has got nothing to do with Mercury at all, we are continuing our policy of rebalancing prices more fairly to reflect our costs".

Under the proposals the unit fee for a call will be cut by 12 per cent from 5p to 4.4p, but the unit time will also be reduced. Quarterly rentals on home telephones will rise by 50p and rentals on business machines will go up by 85p. Some international calls, including those to Spain and Portugal, will be more expensive and connection charges will rise by £10.

Overall, British Telecom estimates that the average private consumer will pay 1.9 per cent more, while small businesses will pay 0.2 per cent less and large businesses will reduce their bills by between 1.3 and 1.4 per cent.

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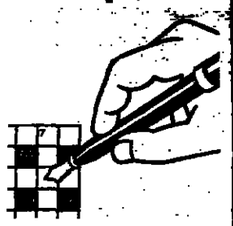
A clued-up champion



Dr John Sykes will not be taking part in Sunday's annual Collins/*Times* crossword contest, much to the relief of everyone else. The eight-times winner gives some clues to success

Portfolio

● The £4,000 daily prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was shared yesterday by two readers, Mr L Grugeon of Shalford, Guildford, Surrey, and Mrs Penelope Hilling of Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

● There is a further £4,000 to be won today. Portfolio list page 25; rules and how to play, information service, page 20.

Death threat

Faced with threats to kill six French hostages in Beirut, Paris denied it was acting with Washington to win their freedom and said two Iraqi dissidents expelled from France could return Page 9

Speaker dies

Lord Maybray-King, former Speaker of the House of Commons, died yesterday aged 85 Obituary, page 18

Visas warning

The introduction of visas for Indians visiting Britain would adversely affect Indian-British relations, an Indian Government spokesman said Page 12

EEC sheep ban

Sheep exports to EEC countries were banned last night in a new post-Chernobyl radiation curb. The ban will stay in force as long as the Government enforces sales curbs in Britain.

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$4 billion issue to aid pound

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The Government yesterday gave notice that the pound will not be allowed to slide in the run-up to the general election.

It raised $4 billion (£2.7 billion) in a record issue on the international capital markets as extra ammunition in case political uncertainties send the pound tumbling.

The previous record was a similar capital-raising exercise — for $2.5 billion — just over a year ago. That was made to bolster Britain's foreign currency reserves just before the winter collapse in oil prices, when the Bank of England intervened heavily in the exchange markets to support the pound.

Yesterday's issue, with firmer oil prices, pushed the pound back above $1.50. It rose 1.1 cents to $1.5005.

The move prompted speculation in the City that the Government was about to take sterling into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System — the EEC fixed currency link.

This was firmly denied by officials at the Treasury and the Bank of England, however. Before the summer recess the Prime Minister gave her firmest denial yet of plans to take the pound into the EMS at an early stage.

Instead, the money appears to have been raised to help support the pound as the election approaches when the alternative — raising interest rates — could be politically inopportune.

The $4 billion raised yesterday will lift Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves to almost $23 billion.

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City backs investor protection

By Lawrence Lever

New rules to protect investors after the City's "big bang" on October 27 have been passed by the Stock Exchange Council.

The rules will govern the way in which members of the Stock Exchange conduct their business in the equity, government securities and corporate fixed-interest markets.

The 40 pages of rules are *designed to cater for the new* dealing practices that will come into effect on October 27 — when the system of fixed commissions on share and gilts transactions will be dismantled, with the separation of the functions of stockbroker and stockjobber.

They are prefaced by a general principle requiring all Stock Exchange member firms to "handle their business in a manner which is fair and

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consistent with good market practice". This is meant to outlaw practices such as excessive trading of investors' shares, purely to generate extra commission for the stock-broker.

Clients of Stock Exchange member firms will have to be notified in advance of the basis on which the firm is acting. In other words, firms must tell their clients in advance whether they will be acting as principals holding stock on their own account and selling it to clients, or as the client's agent.

In the latter case the firm will be subject to extra duties requiring it to act in the best interests of its clients. This will generally require it to buy or sell shares for the client at the best price available in the market.

Surprise move by Karpov in Leningrad

From Raymond Keene
Leningrad

Anatoly Karpov, the former world chess champion, unexpectedly took time out in yesterday's game with Gary Kasparov. Their 13th game, the first in the Leningrad half of the match, has been postponed until tomorrow.

Yesterday morning, Karpov handed in a doctor's certificate, citing respiratory problems.

The time out is Karpov's second and leaves him with only one in reserve for the remaining 12 games.

Fifth of firms share profits with workers

More than one in five British companies operate profit-sharing schemes for their employees, according to a survey by the Department of Employment (Our Economics Correspondent writes).

The study was done before Treasury plans to give tax relief on profit-linked pay, likely to come into force next year, were disclosed.

Schemes were operated by 58 per cent of public companies with more than 500 employees, and 24 per cent of smaller public companies.

Calculus and spacemen in a Moscow prison cell

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Mr Nicholas Daniloff, the Moscow correspondent of the *US News & World Report* and the only US citizen to be jailed here since the death of Stalin in 1953, spends much of his time in prison doing intricate mathematical calculus with a highly-educated Soviet stool pigeon planted in his tiny cell by the KGB.

Details of the conditions in which Mr Daniloff is being held in a bleak two-storey detention centre in Energeticheskaya Street, in the east of the city, were given to *The Times* by his British wife, Ruth, who has been allowed two visits since he was seized by KGB agents last Saturday.

"He whiles away the time talking and solving problems with the charming, erudite mathematician who the KGB have obviously planted in his cell to try and gain his confidence and report on his moods", Mrs Daniloff told me. "There is no doubt at all who the man really is, but he always claims to be accused of spying like my husband."

Earlier this week, Mr Daniloff gave his wife a piece of toilet paper with some of the prison calculus on it. He also told her that his Soviet cell-mate was a believer in extra-terrestial life, and liked to discuss the possibilties of it at length.

Mr Daniloff, who is 52 and suffers from high blood pressure, is allowed only one hour's exercise a day in a metal, cage-like structure erected on the roof of the building in which he is being held. "This is worrying, because outside he was a regular daily jogger, and this was the

Mrs Ruth Daniloff: Two prison visits

way he coped best with the stress of Moscow life and his health problem", his wife said.

Under Moscow prison rules, she is permitted to take him five kilos of extra food a month, excluding luxury items (which include chocolate) and excluding any containers, so that she has to supply tooth powder rather than toothpaste.

"In the prison they get four meals of pretty grim food a day, which is pushed through a grille into the cell", Mrs Daniloff said. "Things like dental floss and shoe laces have been removed from Nick, presumably on the grounds that they could be used to commit suicide — not that he is likely to do that."

Although Mr Daniloff is depressed as a result of his ordeal, his wife said he had been heartened by the amount of interest which it had provoked around the world. "I am afraid that this may be a long-drawn-out affair because basically it is political", she said.

Like senior members of the Reagan Administration and many of Mr Daniloff's colleagues, she is convinced that he was set up by the KGB. "I think that in the long run he will get out, rather than be sent to Siberia like his ancestor, but there could be a trial first", she said.

She added that she had been told at the prison that the 27-year old Soviet teacher who handed Mr Daniloff the incriminating package, saying that it contained only newspaper clippings, had himself been arrested, but the Kremlin's chief spokesman was unable to confirm this.

At the US embassy, officials are growing increasingly angry at Mr Daniloff's continued detention, but in public at least they have given no hint that any kind of secret deal is under negotiation. "We intend to raise his case on every possible occasion with our Soviet counterparts", one said.

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Anglicans and RCs in agreement on key Reformation question

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

Official Anglican and Roman Catholic representatives claimed yesterday to have solved one of the key disputes of the Reformation, concerning "salvation by faith alone".

In a statement at the end of a meeting of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission in Llandaff, representatives of both churches said they had reached agreement "on those issues of salvation and justification which gave rise to deep divisions between Roman Catholics and Protestants in the sixteenth century".

The document containing their agreement has not yet been published, and has to be submitted first to the Pope and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie.

The dispute centres on Martin Luther's insistence that Christian salvation was independent of the merits of "good works", and accused the Catholic Church at the time of maintaining a doctrine of salvation by works.

The Council of Trent, on the Catholic side, denied this; but until recently many scholars have regarded the gulf between the two positions as virtually unbridgeable.

A resolution of this dispute has been treated by some Anglicans, conservative evangelicals in particular, as the essential condition for any further progress towards unity between the two churches.

The international commission was strengthened by the inclusion of more evangelical theologians in recognition of that feeling.

A brief summary of the agreement worked out by the commission, issued yesterday, said it concentrated on a "correct" understanding of four principles: faith, justification (including the concepts of righteousness and justice), good works, and the "role of the Church" in salvation.

Each of the four has been defined in a way which "commands the assent" of all members of the commission. The summary adds: "It is their view that this agreed statement is coherent with the official formularies to which each Communion is committed."

Any outstanding differences "are not such as can justify continuing separation between Anglicans and Roman Catholics".

The agreement reached is the result of a long process of discussion over two years, involving the presentation of papers from both sides and contributions from outside experts.

Almost complete agreement was achieved quickly, but it is understood that Anglican evangelicals felt that remaining real differences were being hidden by ambiguities.

At one stage it was proposed to publish a supplementary document on the Roman Catholic doctrine of indulgences, about which Anglicans have particular difficulties. Yesterday's statement does not refer to this.

The commission is continuing its work on other doctrinal differences between the two churches, notably the ordination of women. At the Llandaff meeting preliminary papers were presented and discussed.

Discussion was also started on more detailed practical proposals for uniting the two churches.

The ordination of women is expected now to become the commission's main theological preoccupation. Indications are that both sides are preparing for a study of the basic doctrinal issues, and not just of how relations within and between the two churches should be managed if only one ordains women.

Phil Tuck celebrating with his son, David, aged three, yesterday, after the jockey, on Doronicum at Southwell, had equalled the world record of 10 consecutive jumping victories set 27 years ago. Gilbert's record equalled, page 34

Britoil to cut 750 staff in slump

Britoil reflected the collapse in world oil prices yesterday by announcing it is to make 750 staff redundant.

Six hundred workers are to go at its Glasgow headquarters and a further 150 at its North Sea operational base in Aberdeen in the coming months.

The redundancies, the second round this year within the company, are not voluntary. Those who are to go have been selected on an across-the-board basis and have been offered severance terms which the company describes as "generous".

Britoil blames the fall in oil prices to the current $15 a barrel for the latest redundancies, which mean the workforce at the Glasgow office has halved to 800 within a year.

It also says, however, that some jobs cuts would have been necessary anyway because of streamlining within the company.

Mr David Walker, the company's chief executive, said the redundancies should be the last for some time, although he could offer no guarantees.

"The world is not a certain place. I believe I have completed the rationalization to run an organization in a very hard time for this industry. I have no plans at this stage to take any further action."

The firm has already made 220 staff redundant this year. "At that time, staff were advised that further action would be necessary."

Britoil is engaged principally in the exploration and production sectors and is not involved in the down-stream activities of refining or pump sales.

The company estimates that the redundancy package will cost £15 million to implement but should save £30 million a year.

Mr Walker added: "The company takes this action with regret, recognizing that competent committed employees will be asked to leave not through any fault of their own, but because we cannot justify certain activities."

Labour to shake up shires

By George Hill

A network of district authorities responsible for most local services in the shires is being planned by the Labour Party.

Mr Jack Straw, Labour's spokesman on the environment, said yesterday that as well as big changes in city areas, made necessary by the abolition of the metropolitan authorities, Labour was also considering extensive changes in the counties, involving the introduction of a strategic regional tier.

"The major urban centres in East Anglia — Norwich, Ipswich and Great Yarmouth — used to run their own affairs as county boroughs, and did so well.

"We cannot put the clock back, but what we are looking at closely is the establishment of a two-tier system of 'most-purpose' district authorities to run personal services like education, housing and social services, and regional councils, responsible for strategic functions."

Ulster border security

King says Garda needs help

By Richard Ford

Mr Tom King, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, yesterday said the Irish Republic's security forces, particularly the Garda, needed help from British authorities to develop anti-terrorist techniques.

Mr King also hinted at government displeasure over delays in improving cross-border security. He said that while it was impossible to seal the 300-mile border, or patrol every inch of it 24 hours a day, there was a need to develop much greater co-operation, particularly in the field of intelligence, between North and South.

"I have always made clear my impatience to make faster progress, but we are determined to develop that closer co-operation."

He said that in the North they had had to develop a response to the big terrorist threat but that the Garda had not faced such a similar threat from the terrorists.

"It has produced a different attitude and different policing approach. I don't say that in any way as a criticism. We have got to do all we can to help the Garda develop some of the techniques we have had to develop in anti-terrorist programmes. While there is impatience to see progress there is now the opportunity to develop close co-operation."

Mr King's comments about helping the Garda will be considered unhelpful and undiplomatic in Dublin, but the tone of his remarks reflects growing private criticism in the North about the lack of progress in improving cross-border security.

Mr King's remarks came after a record of a meeting between the RUC divisional commander and the Chief Constable, Sir John Hermon, in which criticisms were made about the Garda's ability, was leaked. The report said that while they had promised much they had delivered little. Senior RUC officers want quicker changes and improvements in the South.

Mr Tom Rainey, chairman of the Northern Ireland CBI, said threats by the Provisional IRA and the Ulster Freedom Fighters were like a creeping paralysis bringing fear which slowly built up across the country.

Opposition may force Dublin to the polls

The Irish Republic may have an early general election in the autumn with the opposition threatening the beleagured coalition government with a no-confidence motion (Richard Ford writes).

A meeting of the Fianna Fail frontbench yesterday decided to launch an all out attack on Dr Garret FitzGerald's Fine Gael-Labour coalition when the Dail resumes on October 22.

Mr Charles Haughey, leader of the opposition, said: "The people want the coalition to go. There is a widespread feeling of anger with the present government in the way it manages our affairs."

His party has decided to increase the pressure on the government, whose backbenchers have recently shown signs of pre-election nervousness.

Mr Haughey said a general election before Christmas was "a probability more than a possibility".

As the opposition frontbench met, the Cabinet began a two-day meeting aimed at devising a strategy to avoid being forced into an early general election and to deal with the serious economic problems facing the country.

The coalition's full term is not due to end until November 1987 but the government's position in the Dail is under threat with its holding a majority only on the casting vote of the Speaker.

A vacant seat is almost certain to be won by Fianna Fail and that would place the coalition in a minority position.

McCarthy retired by BR

By David Cross

British Rail announced yesterday that Lord McCarthy, chairman of the Railway Staff National Tribunal, the top appeals body, is to retire in November. A successor has not been named.

The BR board said that it was "appropriate there should be some change to the chairmanship and membership of the tribunal, as the existing members have been in their position for many years".

Lord McCarthy, a Labour peer and Oxford industrial relations expert, has been chairman since 1974, being involved in more than 60 adjudications.

The British Rail statement, signed by Mr John Palette, managing director of personnel, masks a long behind-the-scenes struggle to find a successor acceptable to the management and trade unions.

BR has been trying to persuade the unions to use the tribunal only as a last resort. This reflects its growing concern, shared by the Department of Transport, that consultation machinery is too slow and cumbersome.

Names mentioned for the full-time job of chairman include Mr John Hughes, principal of Ruskin College, Oxford, and Mr Ian Buchanan, a member of London Regional Transport's wages board.

Protesters force staff to retreat

By Trudi McIntosh

Anti-nuclear protesters formed a blockade around a warehouse at the proposed nuclear dumping site at Elstow, Bedfordshire, yesterday after contractors slipped through an unguarded entrance to the site.

In the heaviest physical confrontation so far, about fifteen protesters jostled workmen trying to gain entry forcing them to retreat to their vehicles while security guards remained inside protecting equipment.

Mr Jerry Fitch, the chairman of the Bedfordshire Against Nuclear Dumping organization, said protesters would now mount a series of blockades.

"We will ensure no engineers will be able to reach equipment," he said.

The contractors employed by Nirex, the government nuclear waste agency, eluded a blockade on Monday and installed drilling equipment. But engineers failed to gain access yesterday to sites at Fulbeck, Lincolnshire, and Bradwell-on-Sea, Essex.

Mr John Baker, chairman of Nirex and managing director of the Central Electricity Generating Board, said extra police may have to be called in.

He added that only low waste products would be buried at the sites.

"I believe the protesters are misinformed. It is a classic conflict of national and local priorities."

Constituency changes for 42 seats proposed

Changes to the boundaries of parliamentary constituencies in 11 areas, involving 42 seats, are recommended today by the Boundary Commission for England.

The changes, most of which involve only a handful of electors, are designed mainly to bring the constituencies back into line after the local government boundary adjustments of the past three years.

They include three cases where more than 500 electors are to be transferred.

Just under 2,000 voters from Warrington South, held with a majority of 6,465 in 1983 by the Conservative Mr Mark Carlisle, QC, are to be moved to Halton, held for Labour with a majority of 6,829 by Mr Gordon Oakes.

Arundel (Conservative) is to lose 1,312 electors to Shoreham, also Conservative. Reading East is to lose 533 to Wokingham; and other changes involve Banbury, Barrow, Durham, Guildford, Grantham, Hertfordshire and Salisbury.

The changes kwould take place at the first general election after their approval.

Chaotic end to a brave new world

By Alan Hamilton

Mr Eric Sebury's misfortunes began last Friday when he sold his camera equipment for £600 and bought an old boat, an outboard motor, and a sail.

He loaded the boat with a bucket of cheese, five litres of orange squash, four bars of chocolate and a considerable quantity of hand-rolling tobacco and, in the finest traditions of Cabot and Drake, set sail from Newport, Gwent, in search of a new world.

His initial destination was Milford Haven, an easy 200-mile coastal passage down the Bristol Channel. Had he achieved that, he intended to proceed to the Mediterranean in search of work. Mr Sebury, aged 48, divorced and unemployed for two years, felt in serious need of adventure and new pastures.

But from the outset on Monday morning of what proved to be a voyage with epic qualities of an unexpected kind, his sailing was far from plain. As he passed Cardiff his engine failed, and he drifted helplessly up and down the coast with his unrigged mast lying in the bottom of the 15ft boat.

Naerly twenty-four hours later he drifted within a mile and a half of the shore. Unfortunately the shore was occupied by the high-security Royal Navy torpedo range at St Thomas' Head, near Weston-super-Mare. The Navy observed him and sent out a high-speed inflatable to investigate; when they found Mr Sebury cold, wet and leaking, they called out the lifeboat.

By the time the lifeboat arrived, Mr Sebury had lost most of his enthusiasm for his project, and his boat. He asked the lifeboatmen if they were carrying any explosives that might be used to blow his craft to smithereens. They did not.

The lifeboatmen towed Mr Sebury's boat into harbour, but entertained suspicions that he might be a smuggler and alerted the police, who arrived to search the craft. All they found were Mr Sebury's copious supplies of hand-rolling tobacco. Meanwhile, the errant navigator was taken to hospital in Swansea to thaw out.

A spokesman for the Coastguard in Swansea, who witnessed the rescue, said: "I think he envisaged himself as Chay Blyth.

"Mr Sebury is the original disaster waiting to happen. He is perfectly entitled to sail if he wants to, but I just hope I am not on duty when he tries again."

Mr Sebury, a former Merchant Navy man who has also worked as a deep-sea diver, fitter and photographer, reappeared to inspect his boat yesterday with his enthusiasm unquenched. "I am not too pleased with myself, but what could I have done? It has all turned a bit sour, but I am not finished yet. Exactly where I'll end up I don't know; it depends on the water and the state of the boat.

Leaning against his leaky, peeling craft, Mr Sebury said: "She hasn't got a name yet, but I'm thinking of calling her Chaos."

Anderton says he will not step down

The Greater Manchester Chief Constable, Mr James Anderton, said yesterday that he will stay "very much in charge" of his force if he is appointed president of the Association of Chief Police Officers next week.

He said he would be unlikely to have to hand over power to his deputy, Mr John Stalker, except when he was on holiday.

Mr Stalker was reinstated last month after being cleared of charges that he had associated with criminals and misused police vehicles.

Mr Anderton said: "There has been much speculation lately about my position in Greater Manchester should I be appointed next week as president of the Association of Chief Police Officers of England, Wales and Northern Ireland for the ensuing year.

"To remove any doubts and false impressions I would wish to inform all concerned that the anticipated duties of the president will make no material difference whatsoever to my role and function as Chief Constable of the Greater Manchester Police Force, which will continue to be effectively under my personal direction and control.

"Such minor adjustments as may be necessary from time to time to accommodate any additional work or responsibility specifically within the ambit of the president will definitely not impinge to any great degree.

"The Police Act necessarily provides that the Deputy Chief Constable of a police force shall have all the powers and duties of the Chief Constable during any absence of the Chief Constable.

"However it is unlikely that I will ever be absent from or need to relinquish my command, apart from when I take annual leave."

Health bonuses attacked

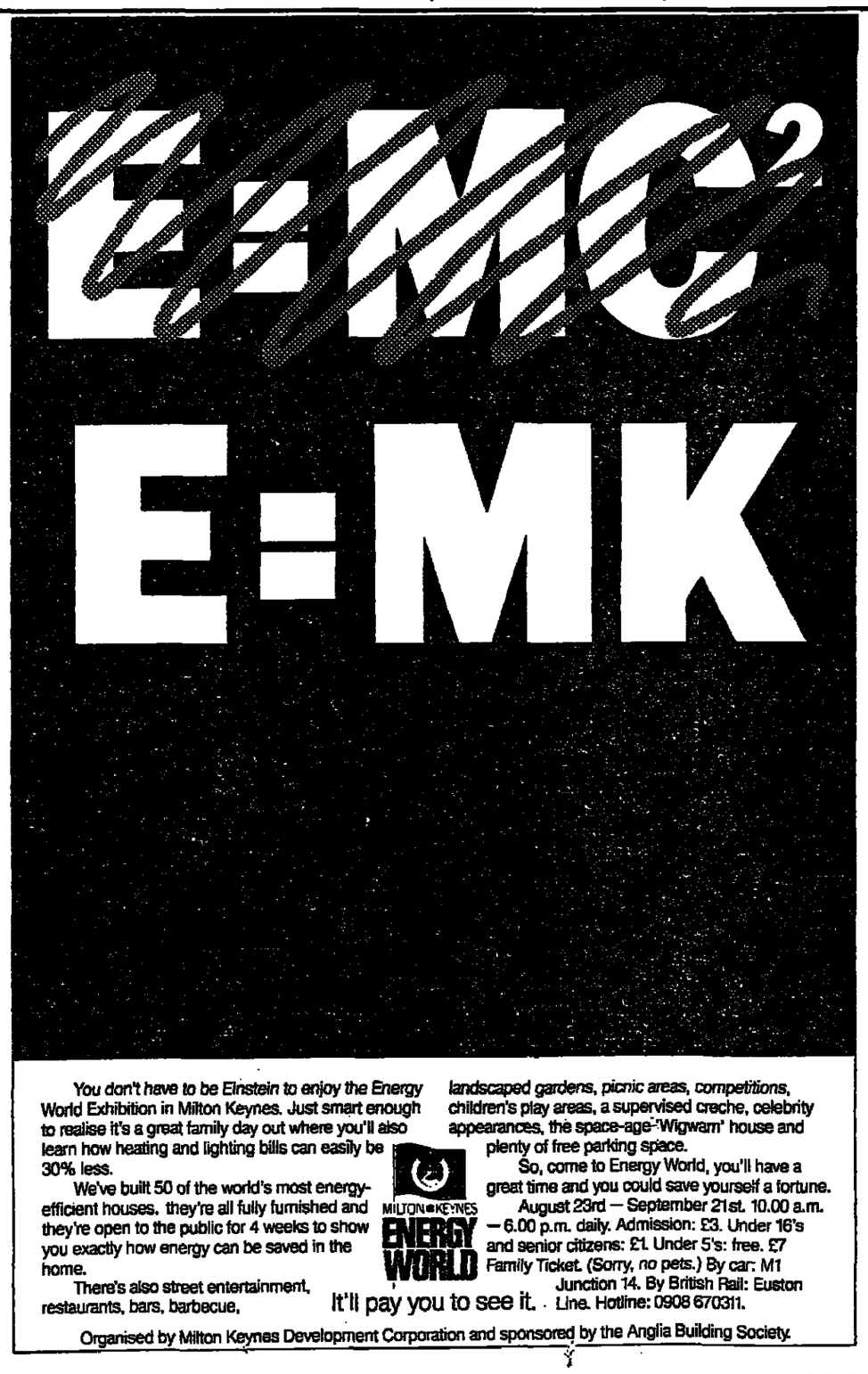
Proposals to reward health service managers with bonuses for good performance were described as useless yesterday by the Royal College of Nursing, because the managers did not treat patients.

The college said: "Health care is a team effort. Managers are only one part of that team so why should they be rewarded and no one else."

The college also shared doctors' concern that the payments could be used as a way to press managers into further cutbacks.

The scheme, to be introduced next September, applies to the 800 NHS general managers at region, district and hospital level. Bonuses of up to 20 per cent of their salary over five years will be paid to managers for meeting and exceeding objectives, which could include reducing waiting lists, developing community services and identifying areas for improved efficiency.

Managers who fail to meet objectives may have their annual increment withdrawn.



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Football clubs get cash aid to help to reduce long-term dole queues

By Peter Davenport

The Government has earmarked up to £4 million a year to fund a new scheme by the Football League and the Professional Footballers' Association aimed at creating new jobs for the long-term unemployed, improving the image of the game and helping to eradicate the problem of hooliganism.

Details of the programme, "Football In The Community", were unveiled yesterday by two government ministers, players' representatives and officials of the Football League at the ground of the second division club, Oldham Athletic.

Initially the programme will operate as a pilot scheme at six clubs in the North-west, including Oldham, Manchester United and Manchester City, and will provide 61 jobs under the Community Programme. The Manpower Services Commission will provide £250,000 for the scheme.

However, it is hoped that the scheme, if successful, will be expanded to include all 92 league clubs, providing around 1,000 jobs with total government funding of £4 million a year.

The aim of the programme is to create jobs for the long-term unemployed, improve contact between clubs and the communities in which they are based, and help to utilize and extend public use of the facilities at the grounds.

It is hoped that many of the jobs will become permanent and that all those involved will improve their job prospects by experience in the sport and leisure-related fields.

Special emphasis will be placed on involving young people from the deprived inner city areas and from ethnic communities.

At yesterday's ceremony, Mr Richard Tracey, the Minister for Sport, said that football must work at marketing itself as safe family entertainment if it was to improve its image.

"Football has suffered some massive body blows over the last two or three years and it has survived because of the commitment of some people within the game. But it can no longer rely simply on the pull of the game itself to attract the massive support it enjoyed in the past. Those within football now have to work hard at marketing the game as safe, enjoyable family entertainment.

"This sort of scheme represents positive marketing aimed at families and young people. In the longer term the links it will build should help remove the threat of violence as it gives people a positive stake in their clubs."

In an attempt to prevent the hooliganism that has blighted the game over recent years, the scheme will include a programme of talks and visits by professional players aimed at influencing the young in schools, youth clubs and industry.

Mr Philip Carter, president of the Football League, said that the main aim of the project was to create employment and improve contacts between clubs and communities. But a side benefit would be helping to combat hooliganism by making youngsters feel more involved with the clubs they support.

"We have to make youngsters feel that their team cannot win every game, that they can be beaten by better teams. If we can teach them to accept that in a fair and sensible way, then we will have achieved something."

Mr Richard Tracy, aiming to provide jobs.

Explanation for elderly 'hooligans'

The eight Britons, including two men in their seventies, barred by the Belgians from enjoying an annual reunion in Ostend are to be offered an alternative venue or another date for their trip, it was announced yesterday.

The eight were told that the Belgians would not allow their trip because they might be soccer hooligans. Today they will be given an explanation by British Rail.

British Rail said that it had looked into the banning of the £488 group booking for a weekend in Ostend.

The eight people arranged the weekend for their annual reunion; they have been meeting for some years.

Mr Eddie Woods, aged 45, who works for the Press Association, said: "One of the people in our party is Alan Hoby, the *Sunday Express* sports writer, who is 72 and is about to go to Buckingham Palace to receive the OBE".

Mrs Katherine Westmore, a passenger bound for San Francisco, watching children at play in the new crèche at Heathrow Airport's terminal 4. The facility, which was officially opened by Susan Hampshire, the actress, yesterday, has been organized by Volvo so parents can leave their children while shopping for duty-free goods (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

Portfolio Gold

Two share £4,000 payout

Mrs Penelope Hilling, from Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, and Mr Leonard Grugeon, from Shalford near Guilford in Surrey, share yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000.

Mrs Hilling, a housewife aged 61, was overjoyed when she discovered that her numbers had come up. "It made me feel very wobbly", she said. "In fact it still hasn't sunk in yet."

Mr Grugeon, a lecturer in management studies at Greenwich Colleges, and chairman of the local parish council, said that he had been playing Portfolio since it started, but never expected to win.

"It was a real turn-up for the books," he said, "especially as I almost forgot to check my numbers in time."

Mr Grugeon thought that he might spend his share of the prize money on reducing his overdraft.

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Mr Grugeon, who may reduce his overdraft.

Newsboy case being examined

By Robin Young

The Home Office is urgently examining documents submitted by lawyers for Michael Hickey, who is serving a life sentence for the murder of the newspaper boy Carl Bridgewater.

The move comes after the prosecution witness who testified that Hickey confessed in a prison shower to the killing said he had lied.

Mr Brian Sinton, who claimed at the trial in 1979 that Hickey had told him he had fired the shot that killed the boy, told a press conference yesterday: "I was set up from start to finish".

Mr Sinton claimed that two prison officers had told him to strike up a conversation with Hickey while they took a shower together. "The conversation was an ordinary one, prisoner to prisoner. He did not admit that he killed Carl Bridgewater but I was frightened, and I was approached by a prison officer who told me word for word what I should say". Mr Sinton said he knew the officer's name, but did not give it.

Mr Sinton said that at the time he was in solitary confinement, suffering from an eye injury received in a prison fight. "I was told that if I did not do what they wanted my life would be made hell", he claimed.

On release from prison, Mr Sinton lodged a letter with his solicitor in which he confessed to lying in the witness box.

He said that on two other occasions he had tried to confess his perjury, but twice when visited by police he stood by his evidence. He said *yesterday that was because he* was still afraid of the authorities.

Mr Sinton was traced by Hickey's mother, Mrs Ann Whelan, six weeks ago, and when confronted by her, confessed that he had lied. The letter he had left with the Barnsley solicitors was recovered and opened last Friday, and has now been forwarded to the Home Office with a solicitor's affidavit as to the date it was deposited.

Mrs Whelan said yesterday: "I am grateful to Mr Sinton now and admire his courage in coming forward. He was pressured by the police and prison officers to make his statement, and I am grateful that he has now told the truth. It is the best evidence that Michael could have."

Hickey, who spent 89 days in the winter of 1983-84 on the roof of Gartree prison protesting his innocence, has been in Park Lane near Liverpool, a secure institution for the mentally ill, since March 1986.

In a petition to the Home Secretary, Mrs Whelan points out that Mr Sinton is the second important prosecution witness in the case to have retracted his evidence.

There have been two previous inquiries into the case, but in neither did the Home Office find case for action.

Disaster compensation

Lawyers unite over claims

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Two lawyers specializing in compensation claims have set up the country's first law firm dealing with the aftermath of disasters, which will concentrate on events with mass legal consequences, such as an air crash or a drug with damaging side effects.

The firm is the idea of Mr Roger Pannone and Mr Michael Napier, two north of England solicitors with broad experience in "disaster" cases. Among those they have handled are the Land's End school trip drownings; the Manchester aircraft fire; the Bradford football ground fire, and several product liability cases, including actions over the Dalkon Shield contraceptive device, the arthritis drug Opren and the heart drug Eraldin.

They have also been involved in claims over whooping-cough vaccine and polio vaccine. Mr Pannone, a member of the Law Society council and a senior partner in the Manchester firm of Goldberg Blackburn, says in an interview in the *New Law Journal* that he had "wanted to see the development of a disaster practice" and that Mr Napier was the obvious choice. They "were thinking again and again in exactly the same way".

Mr Napier, a senior partner in the Sheffield firm of Irwin Mitchell, and the first solicitor to argue a case in the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg, says "it seemed to us to *make sense to harness* the experience of the two of us

Both will remain partners in their existing firms and by a unique arrangement, all partners of those firms are also partners of Pannone Napier. The new firm's profits are shared equally between the two existing firms. One advantage is that Pannone Napier can call on the services of the solicitors in the other two firms in an emergency.

"The problem in the big disaster type of case is that when you're instructed, you've got to gear up to do it immediately. It will have phases of intensive activity and then it settles down for a bit," Mr Napier said.

Judge strikes out order on baby mix-up

A judge at the High Court in Dublin yesterday struck out an order preventing the parents of one of the babies involved in the baby mix-up from taking the child out of the country.

No order, however, was made on the earlier direction that the parties involved should not be named.

Mr Justice Egan said: "I'm sure everybody sympathizes with both sets of parents in this unfortunate mix-up and I am sure all wish they will settle down happily now with their proper babies".

The Irish Midland Health Board has launched an inquiry into the mix-up, which was not discovered until the babies, now two weeks old, were five days old.

Boxing 'second to football'

By David Cross

A London boxing promoter yesterday entered the debate over the safety of boxing by publishing an opinion poll which shows that the sport is more popular among Britons than cricket, motor racing, rugby and motorcycling.

The survey, which Mr Frank Warren paid Marplan £8,000 to conduct, sampled 1,518 adults in 100 political constituencies. It placed boxing second only to football in popularity – 62 per cent to 68 per cent.

Although acknowledged as dangerous by three-quarters of respondents, more than half found the risks to fighters acceptable. Seventy-five per cent of men said they accepted boxing's risks, while a large number of women were not so sure.

Other figures show that the sport is not as "working class" as is often thought. Fifty-six per cent of ABC1 men said that they were interested in boxing compared with 62 per cent of the population as a whole.

Mr Warren told a press conference yesterday that he was "sick to death" of hearing arguments from the anti-boxing lobby. "I accept that boxing is a dangerous sport. What we are saying is that we are in a free society and, in a democracy, if somebody wishes to box, they should be allowed to."

Mr John Morris, general secretary of the British Boxing Board of Control, said that a safety package had now been introduced to protect its 600 licensed fighters. That included pre-fight brain scans and random drug tests.

But a spokeswoman for the British Medical Association, which is campaigning hard to outlaw boxing, said that it was nonsense to try to make out that the risks were acceptable. Medical research had shown that brain damage to boxers, developed over a number of years, was wrecking the quality of their lives and probably causing premature death.

She said it was inevitable that people enjoyed watching boxing matches on television, but they are not in the ring themselves. "Our main concern is for the participants and we accept that it will take a long-term programme of public information to change people's minds."

Bomber 'does look like me'

James Hazell has told Birmingham Crown Court of his horror of being named in a national newspaper as the Handsworth riots petrol bomber.

Hazell, aged 31, told the court that he saw pictures of a West Indian man throwing a petrol bomb during the riots on the front page of his daily newspaper, but it was not until his name was published two days later that he panicked.

"I was a bit horrified and panicked and went to London," he told the court yesterday.

Mr Igor Judge, QC, cross-examining him, asked if he thought the photograph of the petrol bomber which was printed across the front pages of most national newspapers looked like him.

"There is a resemblance," he admitted.

Hazell, of Murray Hill Drive, Winson Green, Birmingham, denies setting fire to a building contractor's store after throwing a petrol bomb causing £20,000 worth of damage.

It is claimed that the incident happened on the second day of fierce rioting sparked by the visit to the city of the Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd.

Aaron Palgrave, aged 21, of Church Vale, Handsworth, has also pleaded not guilty to causing an explosion and denies possessing an explosive device.

The case was adjourned until today.

Miss Elisabeth Gluck: built up an annual £6 million turnover in five years (Photograph: Paul Lovelace).

Former art therapist wins business award

By Angella Johnson

Miss Elisabeth Gluck, a former art therapist in Holloway prison, who took only five years to build a company from nothing to one with an annual turnover of £6 million a year, was yesterday presented with a top business award.

Miss Gluck, aged 30, the chairman of Programmes Ltd, was named the winner of the "Women Mean Business" competition at the Savoy Hotel, London.

She set up her telephone marketing agency in north-west London in 1981. "I started with only a telephone in the corner of a friend's office and it took a lot of hard work and support from my friends to reach this stage, but I always knew I would make it if I kept going," she said.

Programmes Ltd and its six associated companies, which include an office in France, now operates in training, recruitment, information technology, music, computer software and design. They employ more then 250 people, some of whom have been financially supported by Miss Gluck to set up on their own.

"I am optimistic about life and generally believe everyone can be successful if they get a little help. We take people on and train them, and if they want to set up their own business, we will back them," she said.

Miss Gluck took the annual award and £5,000 in prize money, from five other finalists in the contest run by *Options* magazine, and sponsored by Imperial Life of Canada.

Howell death crash driver to be charged

A student is to be prosecuted for failing to ensure his passengers' safety after the son of Mr Denis Howell, the former Labour sports minister, died in an accident in his car.

David Howell, aged 21, was thrown from the hatchback's boot when the car, with six passengers, span out of control.

Yesterday Mr Donald Hawkins, the Avon Coroner, recorded a verdict of accidental death on the social sciences student. The inquest heard Mr Harjit Singh Sandhu, aged 19, had had the car for a week. It began swerving then ran into steel railings and an M32 bridge.

Police Constable Peter Nesbit-Bell, a vehicle examiner, said rubber bonds on the wheel suspension mountings had deteriorated, "but it is very difficult for the driver to detect".

Putting a match to furniture

The Consumers' Association has called for stricter controls on furniture manufacturers after a survey revealed that one death in five caused by fire in the home is the result of inflammable upholstery.

Under present regulations, new furniture must pass a British Standard test against catching fire from a smouldering cigarette but a more severe test using a match flame is not compulsory.

The report in the association's magazine *Which?*, published today, says that many popular forms of upholstery such as acrylic velvet and Dralon would not pass the more stringent match test the association wishes to see introduced.

The report says proposed Government legislation which would outlaw some combinations of covers and fillings would still not make the match test compulsory. The furniture industry claims the tests would reduce choice and increase prices.

Which? recommends buyers to look for furniture carrying a square green lable showing it has passed the match test. Furniture that has passed only the cigarette test carries the red triangle label.

The survey shows that out of the 53,000 accidental domestic fires in Britain in 1984, matches and cigarettes caused 11,000; accidents with cookers, particularly frying pan fires, caused 21,000; faulty wiring and electrical equipment led to 9,000 fires and heating appliances caused 5,000.

Two fire blankets designed to smother frying pan fires also comes in for criticism. One failed the association's test and the issue is to be taken up with the Government's Consumer Safety Unit.

Three hurt in mill explosion

Three workers were critically ill last night after an explosion in the dust extractor on the ground floor of the Joseph Dawson textile mile in Bradford, West Yorkshire, yesterday.

At least 14 others were treated for shock and inhaling smoke after fire raged through the five-storey building. The explosion demolished parts of all four upper floors

At first, firemen feared workers could be trapped inside the mill in Birksland Street, a few hundred yards from the busy city centre.

The three injured workers were transferred to the regional burns unit at Pinderfields Hospital, Wakefield.

Assault trial

Raymond Maybew, aged 21, drummer with Sigue Sigue Sputnik, elected trial by jury when he appeared at Marlborough Street Magistrates' Court yesterday charged with assaulting Miss Carol Wolmsley, causing her actual bodily harm, on June 3. He was bailed until October 1.

Cable TV companies lose cash

The companies set up to provide programming to cable television subscribers are losing money.

The five main cable programme ventures have lost almost £60 million between them in the past two years, but research shows that the services are finding an audience.

Next week, the Independent Broadcasting Authority will open for public inspection the applications of five consortia that are seeking to operate the direct-broadcast-satellite service and two other offers from companies that want to translate cable programming experience to the DBS market. According to the submission to the IBA from Starstream, the cable programming venture of British Telecom, Thorn-EMI and D.C. Thomson, cable is winning a 30 per cent share of the television audience in homes

Back in class

Paul Worthington, aged six, the youngest-yet heart transplant patient at Papworth Hospital, returned to school yesterday.

Unicef starts magazine on children's problems

By A Staff Reporter

Unicef today launches a popular magazine which will highlight children's problems throughout the world. *Children First!* will emphasize that children are newsworthy – and not only when they are missing, starving or being battered.

The magazine, with an initial quarterly circulation of 40,000, will be distributed free of charge to schools and supporters of the fund. It is modelled on *Newsweek*, the American weekly news magazine, says its editor, Miss Edith Simmons. Each issue will carry a cover story highlighting an issue of international dimensions, but not one which has necessarily been given prominence by the national press.

Under the headline "Not Too Small To Kill", the main feature in today's issue has Lindsey Hilsum, a Unicef worker in East Africa, describing the plight of rebel boy soldiers of Uganda. "I saw my mother being assassinated. I saw them come to my house and kill my father. I just ran away. Then I heard that Museveni's people [Mr Yoweri Museveni, the former rebel leader] were collecting boys and girls, so I joined them", one corporal, aged 14, told her.

In the next edition, Mrs Simmons will write the cover story on a trip she has just completed to Vietnam, where she found children suffering enormously from acute malnutrition, caused mainly by protein and vitamin deficiencies.

"We are trying to present at least one poignant story of the kind that you don't see all the time in each edition," she said.

In another section, a Unicef field worker will write a personal account of the sort of problems he or she faces every day in dealing with children. In the first edition Mr Ulf Kristofferson describes what it was like to arrive in the African state of Chad after the civil war.

"The capital was in ruins, every building scarred by gunfire. The hotel room where I was staying had a hole in the wall caused by a bomb blast. There was no water, no electricity," he writes. "What we are trying to do here is show that Unicef workers are real people with deep feelings," Mrs Simmons said.

Each copy of *Children First!* costs 25p to produce and although Unicef has allocated a small budget for the initial issues, it is hoped that company sponsors will come forward to help to pay for production costs.

Children First! (Unicef, 55 Lincolns Inn Fields, London WC2A 3NB).

TUC CONFERENCE

Minimum legal wage • Cash aid for schools • Call for investment

Big majority shows favour for minimum legal wage

The Trades Union Congress in Brighton voted by a huge majority yesterday in favour of a statutory minimum wage.

It did so in the face of strong misgivings expressed by the Transport and General Workers' Union and the electricians' union EETPU, whose general secretary, **Mr Eric Hammond**, said they were being asked to vote for a statutory incomes policy and feared that a statutory minimum wage would cruelly raise hopes that would not be fulfilled.

However, **Mr Norman Willis**, general secretary of the TUC, who successfully commended the joint Labour Party-TUC document advocating a statutory minimum wage, said that differentials would not be immoral or illegal under statutory minimum wage legislation.

Before the long composite motion advocating a statutory minimum wage was carried by a show of hands, the congress carried by 4,146,000 votes to 3,671,000 votes, a majority of 475,000 votes, an amended EETPU motion instructing the General Council that talks with the Labour Party on a joint economic policy should be based on a framework of free collective bargaining.

It recognized, however, the need to attack poverty by achieving a minimum level of income for all. EETPU opposition to a minimum wage set out in the motion had been deleted without a card vote. Amendments by Tass to the motion were thrown out.

Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees and chairman of the TUC Economic Committee, declared to loud applause that if it was right for the Tories to bring in laws to make the rich richer, it was "OK" for the Labour movement to bring in a law to stop the poor getting poorer.

Mr Bickerstaffe moved the composite motion on low pay calling for retention and strengthening of wages councils and for introduction of a statutory national minimum wage.

He said that it was "make your mind up time". They were on the brink of a decision not just for the working poor but for the trade union movement.

Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunications and Plumbing Union, opposing a statutory minimum wage, said that to lay down a statutory minimum wage provided the basis for a rigid incomes policy.

Removal of differentials was neither sensible nor practicable.

They could not run industry like an outpatients department of the social services.

Mr Jack Rogers, Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians, seconding, said many building craftsmen regarded themselves as low paid. Some half a million workers had gone self-employed because as an organization they had failed to bring them the necessary rewards.

Mr Jack Catt, Tass, moving amendments to to tighten the EETPU motion by disengaging the issue of a minimum wage from incomes policy, argued that a statutory minimum wage would underpin free collective bargaining.

Mr George Prior, Society of Civil and Public Servants, said employees of the Government had had a form of wage restraint for the past seven years. Incomes policy had never solved economic policies and they did not work but his union endorsed a statutory minimum wage as an underpinning minimum.

Mr Ron Todd, General Secretary, Transport and General Workers' Union, said his union opposed the composite, because they believed a statutory minimum wage was the wrong way to go about improving the position of the low paid.

	% paid under £100/week*	Average weekly earnings (£)
Counter hands	69.1	85.01
Shop assistants	68.1	95.44
Kitchen hands	66.9	83.68
Barmen, barmaids	52.0	91.09
Nursing auxiliaries	50.1	89.36
Chefs, cooks	46.5	99.81
Cleaners	44.9	92.96
Footwear workers	38.4	112.37
Packers, butlers, carriers,	37.4	99.67
Caretakers	36.8	98.40
Record Library clerks	36.2	111.46
General clerks	34.4	114.65
Telephonists	29.9	106.39
Farming, fishing and related workers	29.3	114.36
Costing and accounting clerks.	28.4	120.24

* (including overtime earnings).

According to statistics released in 1985 by the Department of Employment in the New Earnings Survey, the following categories of workers were the worst paid in Britain (figures apply for men and women working in manual and non-manual jobs):

Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe (left) of NUPE, and Mr Fred Jarvis, of the NUT, challenging the Government yesterday.

Willis call for strong support on low pay

The time had come to help the low paid: they had waited long enough, **Mr Norman Willis**, general secretary of the TUC, said yesterday.

He was introducing the joint TUC/Labour Party report *Low Pay: Policies and Priorities*, and called on delegates to give it strong support.

It also covered pensions, public services, investment, inflation and unemployment.It demonstrated that social justice and trade unionism went together, and was an important expression of partnership built on the firm foundation of the previous year's joint statement with the Labour Party.

It was the basis for a working partnership between them, together with the employers.

It did not baulk from the difficult issues, nor did it take one step backwards from the commitment made for a reduction of one million in the unemployment figures in two years.

The consultative exercise indicated a wage packet of about £80 a week, although some unions thought that too low.

However the report represented only one part of the policy to expand the economy. It was unashamedly about improving social services and lifting the manufacturing base.

It was also unashamedly about consensus. Without consensus low pay was likely to become even more abject.

It was time to change the warped approach of the City that gave a £40,000 pay rise to a stockbroker and a 40p rise to an old age pensioner.

The misgivings of some unions was understandable but he could not accept the amendment of the EETPU.

TUC REPORT

Investment the main factor

There were no quick fixes or overnight miracles ahead, Mr Rodney Bickerstaffe, chairman of the TUC economic committee and general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, said in commending the general council's economic report and strategy and in echoing the previous day's remarks of Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader.

However, Mr Bickerstaffe *maintained that there were* simple, practical, realistic alternatives, all spelt out in the TUC's economic review, in TUC budget statements and in the joint TUC-Labour Party *document*.

He said that three simple words – investment, jobs and partnership – summed up much of what the movement was trying to get across.

First, he said, they were talking about investing for the future.

That meant investing in new machines and new technologies needed to rebuild industries and pay their way into the next century.

It meant investing in new homes and hospitals and clearing city slums. It meant investing in the infrastructure, in people, in training, education, health.

Second, they were talking about linking unused skills and unmet needs.

There were thousands of trained nurses on the dole *while thousands waited for treatment*, half a million construction workers on the dole while millions were desperate for a decent home. There were old people to be cared for and children taught.

"We can all see the waste and we can all see the want", he said. "All that is missing is a government with the common sense and will to build a *bridge between the two*."

Third, they were talking about a new partnership – a government that worked with industry and not against it, that listened to working people, *that laid down new rights* for workers to share in decisions at work, that took inside everyone whom the Prime Minister left out in the cold, including the poor, low-paid, women, part-time workers, blacks, home workers.

He told the congress that that all that was not going to be easy. The next government would not inherit a healthy economy and they would get no help from stockbrokers and speculators in the City.

He added: "But Neil Kinnock told us yesterday that the Labour Party means business. We mean business, too. And we are going to do business together when he meet the Labour government in the first national economic assessment."

The TUC agreed that the first call on the nation's resources must be the creation of jobs, that the second must be improvement of *living standards for those most in need* – pensioners and the low-paid – and that the third must be the improvement of living standards for the rest of those in work.

He conceded that it was going to be tough working out *those priorities*. There was going to be tough talking on jobs, pay, prices, inflation and investment, and tough decisions.

The trade union movement *had always had a vision of* what the country could be like if wealth was shared more fairly, if working people could stand up as equals and if skills and energies could be released and used for the common good.

Earlier, in a strong attack on the Government, Mr Bickerstaffe had said the simple fact was that manufacturing industry was still producing less than when the Tories took over seven long years ago, the first time the country had suffered such a long-term decline.

The million new jobs claim was bogus and where was the success in destroying two full-time jobs and putting only one part-time job in its place? There were more people out of work than every before.

STATE FIRMS

Council 'should see CBI'

Motions condemning privatization and calling for the regeneration of industry were unanimously carried by the congress. The general council was urged to hold talks with the Confederation of British Industry to see whether a common approach could be established.

One motion, moved by Tass, opposed plans to privatize Rolls-Royce and British Leyland. During the debate there was strong criticism of the way in which the Government was seeking to switch Royal Ordnance factories and the dockyards at Devonport and Rosyth to the private sector.

The other motion condemned the Government's continued refusal, as highlighted by the Westland crisis, to back industry with a coherent strategy that supported it in competing in international markets.

Mr George Mackay, Tass, proposing a motion in defence of British industry, that by creating record unemployment coupled with a poor export performance, the Government had allowed vital employment and investment decisons to be taken by faceless men and women in Tokyo, Chicago and New York.

The motion said that the congress was concerned at the threat posed to Britain's political independence by the acquisition by foreign interests of British-owned assets. Once financial independence was gone, he said, political independence followed.

Mr Jim Magness, of the Engineers' and Managers' Association, moving the motion on regeneration of industry, said it was time the Government admitted its doctrinal obsession with privatization had positively hindered the recovery and reshaping of industry.

Mr John Golding, general secretary of the National Communications Union, attacked the conduct of the privatized British Telecom, saying that last year £500 million of profit was paid out rather than reinvested in the business.

EDUCATION

Cash aid plea on schools backed

Demands of financial support for education authorities, youngsters in full-time education and parents, proposed by the National Union of Teachers , were approved unanimously during a debate on education and families and government education policy.

Mr Robert Richardson, NUT, proposing the composite motion, said that the enormity of the Government's offence against education had been realized not only by the school inspectors (HMIs) but also by parents, teachers and school associations.

The package proposed that all mothers should have financial security during and after pregnancy with the opportunity to continue in paid employment without disadvantage; that fathers should be enabled to participate actively in caring for their young children; and that tax regulations should be amended to ensure that workplace crèches were not a taxable benefit.

The motion also proposed funds for nursery education, after-school facilities and holiday schemes; equipment allowances, adequately staffed and maintained schools and properly run ancillary services; that educational maintainance allowances should be provided for all young people over 16 in full or part-time education; and and that a comprehensive policy on education should be developed for the 14 to 19 age group.

Mr Fred Smithies, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, said that the Government had been irresponsible in pressing ahead with the new GCSE examination without providing adequate teaching

Dr John Chartres, Association of University Teachers, said:"Within a decade our schools, on current entries to university courses, will not have anything like the reasonable number of physics and mathematics teachers that this society will need."

Miss Brenda Hudson, National Association of Local Government Officers, drawing attention to the position of low-paid ancillary and support staff in the education service, also complained that the GCSE had been introduced without adequate resources.

Tories are attacked on education

Conservative policies on education were designed to be divisive, but the unions would have none of that, **Mr Fred Jarvis**, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said. He was introducing debates on education and training.

Extra money had been made available to some areas of education, he said, but the public must not be deceived. Never in the history of public relations and media manipulation had so much been made of so little to so many.

Spending this year on education had been 6.7 per cent less in real terms than in 1980.

He hoped that the new Secretary of State for Education and Science, Mr Kenneth Baker, would pay more attention than his predecesor to the reports of the school inspectors (HMIs) in which they pointed to shortages of teachers, staff and equipment.

COMMENTARY

Geoffrey Smith

The most notable feature of this conference is its subdued tone. Last year the TUC came *close to tearing itself apart* with threats to expel even such a large union as the AUEW for accepting public money for postal ballots. The year before that the conference was dominated by the trauma of the miners' strike.

Now the movement has been chastened by its loss of power. It knows that it would suffer if it were to throw out substantial unions over balloting or anything else. It knows that it can no longer afford to parade the differences within its ranks. So the proceedings have been relatively restrained even on issues which would have aroused bitter passions in previous years.

Even the unions' espousal yesterday of the case for a statutory minimum wage was in one sense an acknowledgement of their own weakness. There has been much talk at this conference about the increasing number of low-paid workers, many of them women and many of them in part-time employment. They represent the growth of a new servant class, according to Mr John Edmonds, the new general secretary of GMBATU (the old General and Municipal Workers' Union).

These are people whom the unions have always found it difficult to mobilize, but now the TUC has confessed its inability to safeguard their interests by the normal processes of collective bargaining. So it is calling upon the law to achieve a social purpose that *the unions feel unable to* accomplish for themselves.

Logic based too much on outrage

There is a logic in this approach, but it seems to me a pretty superficial logic. It is based too much upon an emotional sense of outrage at the problem and too little upon an awareness of the full consequences of the remedy.

A statutory minimum wage must either push up everyone's pay in due course or squeeze differentials. Neither development should be welcome to anyone concerned about economic prosperity, to which both the TUC and Neil Kinnock have been proclaiming their attachment this week.

Higher pay all round would be inflationary and would undermine the competitive efficiency of British industry. A contraction of differentials might sound a better idea. It might be good social policy to suggest, as a number of speakers did yesterday, that the *better off should accept narrower* differentials so as to improve the lot of the low-paid.

But in practice the deliberate squeezing of differentials *has always caused trouble in a* changing economy. It was one of the principal reasons for the failure of successive attempts at a statutory incomes policy. I suspect, therefore, that attempts to prevent a general rise in pay would create tension between one group of workers and another, would impede the operation of a flexible economy and would ultimately be ineffective.

To make matters worse, the imposition of a statutory minimum wage might well reduce the number in work because those who offer low-paid jobs in various service trades are just the people who might be unable to afford the higher wages that would be required.

The policy would militate against the very purpose which Mr Kinnock had described the day before as his first priority: the campaign against unemployment. It might be thought, therefore, that yesterday's vote illustrated the wisdom of Mr Kinnock's declaration of independence from the TUC. This is precisely the kind of ill-considered decision that the Labour leadership should not be obliged to follow.

***But in fact* Mr Kinnock had rushed to adopt the principle of a statutory minimum wage even before the full TUC did so yesterday. Perhaps he did so in anticipation of the thinking in the unions, in which case he would have been demonstrating his dependence while proclaiming his independence. Or perhaps it is his own tender heart from which he needs to secure his independence.**

Whatever the explanation, the stand that the TUC has taken with the active encouragement of the Labour leadership is a tribute to their social conscience - but not to the sense of economic realism that Mr Kinnock had sought to convey the day before.

Nurses call for training changes

Britain's largest nursing union wants to change the "stressful" system of nurse training and establish new "nursing practitioners" to fulfill some duties undertaken by doctors, it said yesterday .

Miss Alison Dunn was speaking on behalf of the *Royal College of Nursing*, which is not affiliated to the TUC, at a fringe meeting held in Brighton.

She said that the college wanted to stem the 35 per cent dropout rate among trainee nurses.

Potential nurses were exposed to an "unreasonable degree of stress" during training and talented men and women were dropping out at an unacceptable rate.

The union, which has 255,000 members, contends that it is becoming increasingly difficult to find the right type of recruit and suggests switching the present training scheme to an educational programme.

Miss Dunn also said that Britain should adopt the American system of "nurse practitioners", who would fulfill nursing and medical duties in deprived areas where there was a shortage of doctors.

She suggested that the health service in general needed a cash injection of at least £300 million.

Today's agenda

The TUC will be asked today to establish a new policy on nuclear power. Other subjects for debate are: public service pay, environment and transport policy, equal pay, South Africa and other international topics.

INDUSTRY

Road to socialism 'paved with jobs'

The road to socialism had to be paved with jobs, **Mr Bill Jordan**, president of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, said when he successfully moved a motion condemning government policies.

It blamed the Government for destroying the manufacturing base and for being the principal cause of unemployment, and called on the TUC General Council to prepare a 10-point programme to restore public ownership and the wealth creation of manufacturing.

The motion sought endorsement of such a plan next year or at a special congress before the general election.

The proposal would also seek planned trade; extension of free collective bargaining; special job-creation policies; reduced working time; more training at all levels; public investment in infrastructure; promotion of new technology and planning for conversion of resources from war to peace production.

Mr Jordan said that the decline of manufacturing industry was the most serious charge against the present Government.

The Government had promised the people that it would set manufacturing free to grow. The result had been that it was free to go.

"We have reached the point where the country is not earning its keep and our oil-slick Chancellor blithely pays the nation's debts with a North Sea credit card as if oblivious of its expiry date. Even then he fails to balance the nation's books.

"The oil, the family silver, and the Chancellor alike will run out and this motion is about the alternative."

Mr Bill Morris, deputy general secretary, Transport and General Workers' Union, said that the first task of a Labour Chancellor must be the reimposition of exchange control. His next task must be to bring home investment like pension funds from South Africa and elsewhere.

"We want them invested here to create jobs for our people."

Mr James Knapp, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said that the Government was not telling the truth about unemployment. Mr Norman Tebbit would never achieve the same reputation as George Washington for truth because he was a member of a Cabinet of fibbers.

Mr Tony Christopher, general secretary, Inland Revenue Staff Federation, said the country was in deep crisis, far deeper than any minister was prepared to acknowledge.

Mr Stanley Fitzsimmons, Fire Brigades Union, said they needed to return to a world where economic needs were dealt with by economic measures and by not putting massive resources into military projects to give military superiority.

Mr Alec Smith, general secretary, National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers, said the Government was committing a calculated fraud in its presentation of the state of the economy and unemployment. There was a case for calling in the fraud squad, he said.

TRAINING

Call for more apprentices

Resolutions on youth unemployment and youth education and training were passed, despite reservations on some aspects of them expressed by some unions.

The first urged the general council to press for a substantial increase in apprentice intake in industry and for a large education and vocational training programme to provide the skills and qualifications necessary to meet the challenge of Britain's industrial competitors and of new technology.

The second motion called for a fundamental re-examination of education and training for 16 to 18-year-olds based on universal rights to free education and training with improved financial support.

Mr Bill Morris, Transport and General Workers' Union, said that young people should be encouraged to continue in education with a maintenance allowance.

To those thinking of opposing the second motion, he said that it was their young people who were being victimized and who were rioting in Brixton, Toxteth and elsewhere. They could not leave it to organizations such as Business in the Community, but had to become trade unions in the community.

Mr Spike Wood, National Communications Union, criticized British Telecom for doing less than it had ever done to train young people, even though BT was one of the largest and most profitable companies.

Mr Bill Heeps, National and Local Government Officers' Association, said their reservations about the second motion was that it did not contain words that had been in the original motion calling for local funding to be maintained.

They were committed to local democratic accountability and Nalgo would not support any proposals for further centralization of education.

Mr Bob Gillespie, Sogat '82, said his union had reservations about the first motion which spoke of a substantial increase in apprentice intake.

His union could could not find a commitment from employers that apprentices would be taken on on a lasting basis. His industry had crafts that were being decimated by new technology, and skilled people were being thrown on the scrap heap.

"Employers would love to have just what is in the motion. They want a vast reservoir of skilled young people to be picked up or laid down or not picked up as they wish or, as they see it, as the market dictates."

Mr Roy Grantham, chairman of the TUC employment policy committee, accepted the two motions for the general council, although he said the language of the second was intemperate. He assured Nalgo that the council would not accept a centrally controlled education service.

They were well aware of the weaknesses of the Youth Training Scheme and on a number of occasions had secured more funds for it.

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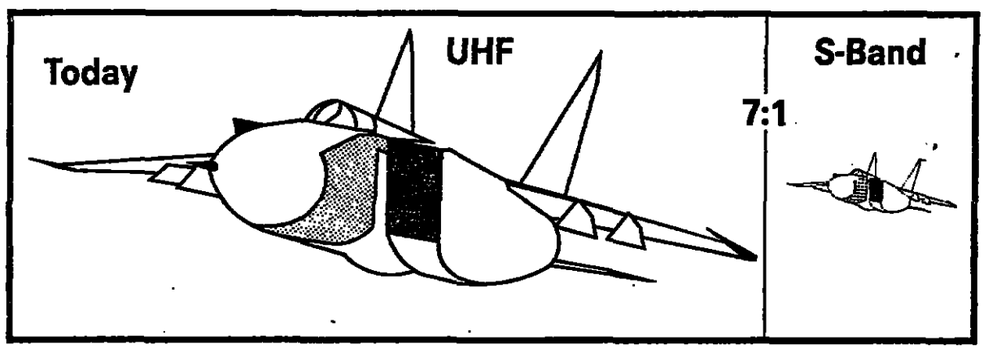

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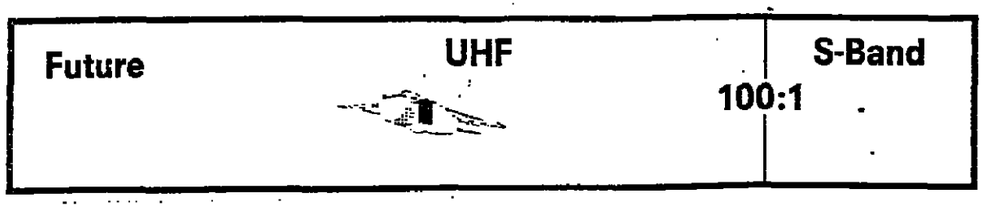

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Consumer council joins call to relax rules restricting solicitors

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Solicitors should have greater freedom to advertise and to join other professionals to provide a "one stop" housebuyers' service of legal, financial and estate agency advice, the National Consumer Council says today. In its response to a Law Society draft paper for proposed changes in the solicitors' practice rules, the council says it supports the intention to remove some of the restrictions on advertising by solicitors.

That will lead to competition among solicitors, and therefore lower prices; and the public will be given more information and greater choice. But the proposed changes do not go far enough, the NCC says.

Restrictions on mixed partnerships reduce choice and the chance of offering a more cost-effective service.

"Many consumers would welcome the opportunity to take a "one stop" housebuyers package, which might include a survey, housing finance and conveyancing or ... accountancy and legal advice."

The council's backing for relaxation of the rules which prohibit mixed partnerships between solicitors and other professionals comes hard on the heels of a report last week by Sir Gordon Borrie, Director General of Fair Trading, which also called for an end to restrictions.

The Law Society council will, within the next few weeks, be considering the proposed changes to the practice rules in the light of comments from local law societies.

On advertising, the National Consumer Council says that contrary to the Law Society's view, solicitors should be allowed to advertise the amount of particular types of work they do, "so people can make better judgements on their skill and experience".

Solicitors should also be allowed – if the client agrees – to tell people about their "success stories" of past cases, to encourage others in similar situations to enforce their rights.

The council also disagrees with the Law Society that solicitors should be allowed to advertise only through specified media. It backs a ban on unsolicited visits and telephone calls, but sees "no good reason why solicitors should not advertise by direct mail".

Mr Michael Montague, chairman of the NCC, says: "It is a nonsense to ban solicitors from advertising their services by direct mail and yet allow them to place exactly the same sort of information in a free newspaper which will be delivered through people's doors in the same way."

Welcoming the proposal to allow solicitors to provide independent financial advice, such as on the relative merits of buying or renting, the NCC says that is a "selling point ripe for exploitation".

It adds: "Consumers should have a choice between a conveyancing service which provides independent financial advice, a service in which advice is provided by the lender, and a service which deals only with technical matters and leaves the consumer to look after their own financial affairs."

But as that is a new area for many solicitors, the Law Society should take on the role of training and advising solicitors who want to become experts in giving financial advice, the council says.

In general the NCC says there is "enormous scope" for using advertising to provide a better and cheaper service to ordinary people in areas of law which are not well served by traditional practices such as welfare benefits, employment and immigration.

Aldaniti, the racehorse which will raise £250,000 for cancer research, with former jockey Bob Champion (left) and actor Bob Hoskins in London yesterday (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Aldaniti in £250,000 cancer walk

Aldaniti, the horse that won the Grand National in 1981 after recovering from a broken leg, is to walk more than 250 miles from London to Liverpool next spring in an attempt to raise £500,000 for the Bob Champion Cancer Trust.

The retired racehorse will be ridden for one mile sections of the trip by celebrities including Princess Anne and the actors Bob Hoskins and John Hurt, each of whom will be expected to raise £1,000 in sponsorship for the trust.

The journey will end when Bob Champion, who rode Aldaniti to victory after making a dramatic recovery from cancer, rides the horse on to Aintree racecourse on April 4, exactly six years after his Grand National win.

Organizers hope the £250,000 raised by the 250 celebrities who will ride the horse be doubled by additional sponsorship from people along the route.

All money raised will be donated to the Bob Champion Cancer Trust.

Doctors say plight of disabled people is being ignored

By Jill Sherman

Doctors accused the Government yesterday of overlooking the needs of physically disabled people.

A working party report published by the Royal College of Physicians claims there are glaring deficiencies in community services and that more funds are needed to improve residential units for the severely disabled.

The college says that younger physically disabled people, between the ages of 16 and 64, are not included in the three priority groups which the Government has singled out for attention: the mentally handicapped, the mentally ill, and the elderly.

"Despite the medical responsibility towards them, the young disabled constitute a group whose interests none of the established medical specialties has unequivocally agreed to service," the report says.

Because more disabled people are cared for at home, those in institutional care are likely to be very dependent with multiple disabilities, including behavioural and communication disorders.

"The trends may well require new objectives and new approaches to staffing, management and training," the report adds.

Dr John Harrison, a member of the college working party, said yesterday that the college would now press the Government for equitable funding between residential and community care.

"The Government pays £300 a week for hospital care for the disabled and about £200 for residential care. But a person living at home will be lucky if he or she gets £100 per week," he said.

Disabled people had the right to as much choice as their abilities allow, and part of that choice depends on access to finance, the report says. It was plainly inequitable that social security payments paid for a place in residential care were more that twice that given to someone living at home.

"Equitable funding would allow more choice and would allow clearer appraisal of the relative merits of community and institutional care," it says.

The college also said there was an urgent need for an initiative to ensure collaboration at local level between the National Health Service, local authorities and the voluntary and private sectors.

It proposes establishing a local disability forum with representatives from all the agencies, together with disabled people and their carers complemented by a system of monitoring the development of resources

Search for Libyans intensifies

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

Twenty-three missing Libyans are being sought by the Home Office, police and security services in the face of renewed concern about Colonel Gadaffi's terrorism role.

An investigation was launched in the wake of the American raid on Libya amid fears of possible reprisals. The aim was to locate 54 Libyans who had then overstayed their visas.

The investigation has been made more urgent by speculation of renewed American action against Libya and with Britain being seen as an ally.

There could be a number of reasons why the 23 Libyans have overstayed their visas. One may be minor variations in the way names have been filled in when applying for a legitimate extension to a stay.

Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, promised urgent action when he told MPs on June 3 that of 5,560 Libyan nationals admitted to Britain since visas were required after the shooting of WPC Yvonne Fletcher, 54 were unaccounted for.

He said that in each case the individual's leave had expired but there was no evidence they had left the United Kingdom or applied for an extension of stay. "These remaining cases are being vigorously investigated to establish whether embarkation, though not yet recorded, had in fact occurred, or whether action is necessary to enforce departure."

Most have been traced, but attention is now being concentrated on the 23 still unaccounted for.

Contractor charged in bribe case

A tenth private contractor was yesterday charged with corruption in connection with an alleged bribes scandal involving more than £50 million worth of building contracts for works at royal palaces and other government buildings.

Terrence King was bailed at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court yesterday to appear next month with nine other contractors, a former Greater London council officer, and nine officials of the Government's Property Services Agency (PSA).

Mr King, aged 46, of Warwick Road, Coulsdon, Surrey, who faces 18 summonses, is a director of Clostar Ltd and Ferrycroft Ltd, general builders and plumbers. He faces 11 charges, six alleging he bribed PSA officials with all-expenses paid holidays to Las Vegas as a reward for helping him, and other contractors, to win agency contracts.

Mr King is accused of bribing Mr Stanley Hunt, a former GLC technical officer, with two holidays to Las Vegas.

He is also accused on four counts of giving Civil Servants at the PSA District Works Offices at Wallington in Surrey, Westminster and Chelsea, false tenders in respect of contracts for work at St James's Palace; the Royal Hospital in Chelsea, and Harpenden House, in Westminster.

The 19 co-accused face 88 summonses between them, some involving cash bribes, holidays to Miami and contracts for work at Hampton Court Palace.

The charges come after a two-year investigation by the Metropolitan and City police company fraud department.

Computer fraud

City firms victims of big electronic crimes

Millions of pounds have been stolen from City institutions in the past two years through computer fraud, which is one of crimes biggest growth areas, a survey has revealed.

The survey of 30 large financial institutions has prompted warnings that the City's "big bang", the deregulation of the London Stock Exchange, will see a further boom in the illicit transfer of funds from company accounts to Swiss bank accounts and the like.

Trusted employees are frequently fleeing the country after switching sums in excess of £1 million to their own private accounts elsewhere in the world, according to the accountancy firm Deloitte Haskins and Sells.

The firm's computer services division says that the growing use of computers in the City has not been matched by tighter security.

Mr John High, a Deloitte partner who organized the survey, said: "The big bang is only happening because computer technology makes that kind of large-scale operation possible. It is all tied in with buying, selling, making deals and transferring the money, but security systems are not as up-to-date as the computers are going to be.

"Everywhere we have been, we have seen the opportunity, if somebody has the desire, to subvert the system."

Mr High said those crimes were very likely to be discovered, but the problem was that people were getting caught too late.

"If it is detected in the next few hours, it is too late. The person who has perpetrated it may well have left the building and caught a plane."

Mr High said that only a fraction of such crimes were reported because companies feared the publicity would damage customer confidence in their computer systems. He said he knew of a number of cases in which sums of more than £1 million had been stolen.

Mr High said the crimes were so easy to carry out because many large companies and financial institutions were connected directly to Swift, the network used by the clearing banks to transfer funds around the world, and to Chaps, which transfers money within Britain.

"Each computer terminal is the equivalent of a cheque book, but instead of signing a cheque, with a terminal you authorize it and the money goes."

Companies should prepare contingency plans in case their computer system fails, he said. A "crash", which could result in the company going out of business, is ususally caused by the system malfunctioning, but there have been cases of deliberate sabotage.

Mr High said one consolation was that so far no British company has suffered in the way an American firm did, when an employee became so angry with his computer, he shot it.

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Scientists told brain implants and drugs may assist thousands

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Brain implants and new drugs could help to stop thousands of people suffering from senile dementia and Parkinson's Disease, scientists at the annual meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science in Bristol were told yesterday.

Research into the cause of premature ageing, with loss of memory and mental confusion, showed there was a genetic susceptibility to Alzheimer's Disease.

The finding also explained the slow but steady deterioration caused by that disorder. About 10 per cent of people older than 65 are estimated to be vulnerable, but the majority of sufferers are aged over 75.

The discovery of the genetic susceptibility was outlined by Dr Claude Wischik of the Cambridge Brain Bank Laboratory at Cambridge University.

Scientists outlined possible medium and long term approaches for treating Alzheimer-type disorders, in which the medium-term goal was to restore an imbalance of the chemical messengers in the brain, particularly acetylcholine, which is associated with loss of memory and can be restored by substituting drugs.

Dr Susan Iversen, director of Behavioural Pharmacology, at the Merck, Sharp and Dohme Neuroscience Research Centre, described the type of substances that could be used to restore memory in disorders where brain chemicals had been lost.

The chemical deficiencies were being reproduced in animal and volunteer human subjects, she said. Drugs which affect transmission of chemicals in the brain and cause memory disorders closely resemble those seen in Alzheimer's Disease.

She said drugs which stimulated the production of acetylcholine also reverse faults which were caused in the experiments. She believes replacement of chemical messengers by drug therapy held the best hope for treatment in the medium term.

The next form of treatment was expected to come from a discovery that showed how the fault occurred in the brain cells.

The new understanding described by Dr Wischik depended on analysis by new techniques developed in the molecular biology research laboratories at Cambridge, which revealed that brain cells were supported by a microscopic framework consisting of three strands of molecules plaited together like rope.

Dr Wischik's group also identified an "aberrant" natural protein molecule which was produced in the cell. The cell tried to get rid of it by the usual process to dispose of unwanted or "garbage" molecules. But the abnormal one was a stable partner and the usual mechanisms of the brain for dissolving and removing such garbage did not work.

As it accumulated it caused the strands to collapse in a heap. That tangle of microscopic filaments inside brain cells was recognized a long time ago as a characteristic of cells affected by Alzheimer's Disease. But it needed the advances in modern molecular biology to show how and why it had happened.

The unwanted protein has only just been identified and scientists are starting to think about ways of preventing it from forming.

Miss Caroline Walker, co-author of *The Food Scandal*.

Scientists uncertain over food additives

By Our Science Correspondent

The use of additives in food does not benefit consumers but is "immensely beneficial" to the food industry, specialists said yesterday.

There is "massive uncertainty" about the safety of chemical additives among scientific researchers but the industry is given the benefit of the doubt by government departments, Professor Erik Millstone, of Sussex University, said during a debate.

But Mr Peter Strachan, a food industry scientist, said additives were not an issue of public safety and the controversy over their use has been created by pressure groups.

Miss Caroline Walker, co-author of *The Food Scandal* and a member of the Coronary Prevention Group, said studies reveal that children eat large amounts of crisps, sweets, snacks and drinks which were "tarted up" with artificial colours and flavourings to make them more attractive.

"Many other foods contained additives which misled purchasers and represented legalized consumer fraud, she claimed.

But Dr Peter King, secretary of the Society of Chemical Industry, said: "We live longer than ever before, our children grow taller and stronger than their parents and athletic records continue to be broken. These are not the symptoms of a poisoned people."

Widening health gap between the rich and poor

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The health gap between rich and poor in Britain is widening with an increasing percentage of the population having poor living standards, according to the latest evidence.

The growth of unemployment, the fall in low wage levels, and the increase in early retirement has led to more people experiencing hardship, Professor Peter Townsend said.

"The social distribution in Britain of income and wealth seems to have become more polarized in recent years," he added.

Professor Townsend, professor of social policy at Bristol University, presented a review of recent studies of inequalities in health in Britain.

While only eight deaths per 1,000 of the population happen among men under 64 years in social classes one and two, 16 deaths per 1,000 occur in the same group of men among social classes four and five. The numbers of people whose income is below or slightly above the "poverty line" of supplementary benefit has increased from 7.4 million in 1960 to 16.3 million in 1983.

Among the most deprived areas of the country is the North-east. In some parts of Middlesbrough unemployment five years ago was 36 per cent

But hardship is not confined to the North. The review states that in Bristol, the rate of stillbirths and infant deaths in the St Paul's area, the scene of riots in recent years, is twice as high as in the well-to-do suburb of Westbury on Trym. Deaths among adults under 64 averaged 57 per 10,000 of the population compared with 22 per 10,000 in Westbury.

Conditions in outer London suburbs, especially to the south and east of the capital, are far batter than those in the inner city, Professor Townsend said, with areas of Hackney, Tower Hamlets and Lambeth worst of all.

However, a different view of the health gap was offered by other researchers yesterday. A study by Dr Julian le Grand, of the London School of Economics, and Professor Raymond Illsley, of Bath University, suggested that there has been an almost continuous rise in the length of life of the average individual in Britain in the past 65 years.

Smoking plan to save 20,000 lives

By Our Science Correspondent

Smoking could be cut by 20 per cent in the next five years without harming government revenue, a researcher said yesterday.

The reduction would lead to 20,000 fewer deaths a year and a drop in smoking related diseases, Mrs Joy Townsend, a research scientist at Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow, said.

It could be achieved by a policy of sustained health education with real increases in cigarette prices, she said. One in every four smokers die up to 15 years prematurely and Britain has the highest lung cancer death rates in the world, she added.

Increases in cigarette tax have boosted government revenue while decreasing consumption and tax is an "effective ally" of preventive medicine, she said. Forty years ago cigarette tax was a leading source of revenue but now it provides only a quarter of the total, with other taxes, such as value-added tax and petrol tax, assuming greater value.

It has been calculated by health education campaigners that it costs £199 to add a year to the lifespan of people who give up smoking. The cost of saving a year of life by the simple means of a GP advising his patient to give up is about £167, she said.

A year of life gained by a coronary artery bypass operation costs £800 and a heart transplant costs £5,000 for a year gained.

"These comparisons are a strong argument for more resources to go to smoking control programmes," Mrs Townsend said. "A further 20 per cent rise in prices, curtailment of advertising and continued health education would result in a further 20 per cent reduction in smoking without detriment to the budget," she said.

Plants get new role in medicine

Extracts of relatively simple compounds from four families of wild plants are causing excitement among scientists because of their potential use in medicine and agriculture (Our Science Editor writes).

The substances resemble simple sugar compounds, such as glucose and fructose, but they are alkaloids with important medicinal properties. The details were described by Dr Linda Fellows, of the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew.

These substances have attracted attention because certain enzymes that process sugar in any organism are unable to distinguish between true sugars and these alkaloid "mimics", which find their way into the parts of the organism where enzymes are active. The mimics can sabotage or be used to enhance the action of the enzymes.

One mimic of glucose, DNJ, extracted from the black mulberry, strongly inhibits Maltase, the enzyme which is important to digestion, but it has little effect in an organism like the pest beetle, which attacks stored pulses. A mimic of fructose, DMDP, which is found in some tropical wild beans, prevents the enzyme in the beetle but not in mammals.

Safety for quake buildings

By Our Science Editor

New safety standards for the design of buildings in earthquake areas may follow the results of research into the disaster in Mexico last year done by Mr Martin Degg, of Nottingham University.

He showed that buildings between nine and eleven storeys high experienced the most damage because of the geological characteristics of the ground, which amplified shockwaves and "tuned" them to a particular vibration.

Mr Degg said his analyses showed how different types of construction responded to shaking and he identified the buildings that were most susceptible. Measurements made in his research could be used to assess the behaviour of different types of soil.

Almost all damage in Mexico was restricted to buildings over an old lake bed where soft, water-saturated clay deposits amplified shockwaves by a factor of eight when compared to bedrock motions.

The effect of the amplification varied between buildings, with rigid structures performing better than flexible ones, and the height of construction played a vital role. Buildings between six and twenty storeys high were worst affected.

'Crucial' child abuse conferences disappoint

The value of special conferences of health and social workers concerned with cases of child abuse has still to be proven 12 years after government recommendations about their "crucial importance", a researcher said yesterday (Our Science Correspondent writes).

Better communication among the professional workers, police and teachers was urged by the Department of Health and Social Security, leading to the setting up of "case conferences" to discuss action on specific cases of child abuse.

Although many benefits have resulted, a study of some conferences produced a "catalogue of shortcomings and negative impressions", Dr Brian Caddick said.

In one case the outcome was the arrest of an innocent person and the further abuse by the real perpetrator of the original injuries to a child. In other cases, key people were frequently absent from meetings and there were gaps in information.

Dr Caddick, a lecturer in applied social sciences at Bristol University, said probably too much had been expected of the conferences.

More research was needed to develop understanding of how traumatic experiences for children and crises for their families might better be managed by the people "to whom we give this awesome and difficult task", he said.

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France denies Muslim claim of collusion with US on Beirut hostages

From Diana Geddes, Paris

In the face of new threats against the lives of six Frenchmen being held hostage in Beirut, Paris yesterday refuted claims that it was acting in collusion with Washington to win their freedom, and said that two Iraqi dissidents expelled from France in February were free to return.

The new threats against the hostages were made by the Islamic Jihad, the extremist Muslim group, in a text accompanying a video-cassette of one of the hostages, M Jean-Paul Kauffmann, and left at the Beirut offices of the American ABC television channel on Tuesday night.

Looking pale and emaciated, M Kauffmann, a journalist who has been held for the past 15 months, accused Paris of having abandoned the hostages and appealed to it to take urgent action to secure their release.

"We live in constant fear and are perpetually obsessed by death . . . Anything could happen . . . We are tired, sick, and nervously exhausted. Our friends must put pressure on our leaders, as a matter of the most utmost urgency, before our kidnappers lose patience."

M Kauffmann said the spark of hope generated from the release in June of two other French hostages had soon faded. "Having obtained that gesture, our leaders are no longer interested in us . . . We feel desperate and completely abandoned."

M Jean-Bernard Raimond, the French Foreign Affairs Minister, commenting on the Islamic Jihad's accusation that France's policy in the region was "still dependent on that of the United States", said: "France's action is completely autonomous and independent of all others".

The only specific demand made by the Islamic Jihad in its communiqué was for the return to France of the two Iraqi dissidents expelled in February who, it claimed, were still being held "in atrocious conditions in Iraqi prisons". (The group allegedly executed one of the French hostages in March in revenge for the expulsions.)

France claims the men were released from prison soon after their deportation and have since been seen by journalists living freely with the families in Baghdad.

M Raimond announced yesterday that they had asked for, and had been granted, visas to return to France and were expected to arrive in time to resume their university studies in Paris.

M Raimond said that the talks with "those who are able to exert some influence" on the situation of the hostages were continuing normally, and that there had been no change which could explain the latest threats.

Cathy Evelyn Smith, above, the woman who admitted giving John Belushi, the actor, his fatal drug overdose in 1982, has been sent to prison for three years by a judge who said "Belushi's drug-infested life led to his own death" (Ivor Davis writes from Los Angeles).

"That fact however does not absolve you from responsibility," Judge David Horowitz of the Los Angeles Superior Court said on Tuesday. "Every time you stuck a needle in someone's arm you put their life at risk.

"And as a result of your actions John Belushi is dead."

Smith, aged 39, who often worked with rock musicians, pleaded "no contest" (a plea which is tantamount to a guilty one in the US) in June to involuntary manslaughter and three counts of furnishing and administering drugs to Belushi, aged 33, who died in March 1982 in a Hollywood hotel. In exchange for her plea, the prosecution dropped second-degree murder charges and 10 other drug counts.

£300m aid from EEC for growth in Crete

From Mario Modiano
Athens

Crete, the largest Greek island, with a population of 500,000, is the first beneficiary of the European Community's new "integrated Mediterranean programme" under a seven-year development plan costing more than £300 million.

The plan, one of seven prepared by Greece and the first to be approved by the European Commission, aims at developing agriculture and tourism, Crete's traditional sources of revenue.

One project will take advantage of the warm climate to diversify into tropical crops.

Another will seek to ease Crete's heavy dependence on tourism by channelling it towards a more selective market, away from its saturated holiday resorts.

The main emphasis will be on industrialization. One third of all credits allocated in the formal agreement signed at Heraklion on Tuesday between Greece and the EEC will be spent on developing industry, manufacturing and advanced research projects.

The Community has undertaken to contribute just over half the total cost of the programme.

The Greek Government will cover the rest, but the island may also benefit from Community loans of up to £87 million.

Mr Costas Simitis, the Greek Minister of National Economy who signed the agreement with Mr Grigorios Varfis, the European Commissioner for Regional Funds, said the application of the programme came at a period when mistrust between the socialist Government of Greece and the EEC had been replaced by a stable relationship based on realism.

Crete was given priority because the island was one of the regions of the European Community most likely to suffer from the effects of the entry of Spain and Portugal.

The Greek Government said the sum to be spent in Crete represented an investment of up to £500 for each citizen.

There are suggestions that the Government sees it as a debt of honour to a population whose loyalty largely contributed to its rise to power.

Jews deny part in gas attack at opera

Moscow (Reuter) — Tass yesterday described as Zionist provocation a tear-gas attack at New York's Metropolitan Opera house during a performance by a Soviet dance company.

The American Jewish Defence League has denied any involvement in the incident, in which about 30 people were treated for smoke inhalation and eye irritation after the tear gas sent thousands of people running from the opera house.

Death crash

Graz, Austria (Reuter) — An Australian woman died and 20 people were seriously injured when a tourist bus collided with a truck in Styria.

Racing fixed

Hong Kong (Reuter) — Yang Yuan-loong, aged 63, a Hong Kong businessman, was given a suspended two-year jail sentence for conspiring with others to fix horse races.

Animals ban

Brussels (Reuter) — The European Commission is expected to order a ban this week on meat and live animal exports from Italy, because of outbreaks there of foot-and-mouth disease.

Blaze deaths

Paris — Seven people died and 17 were injured in a fire which swept through a decaying block of flats in the city housing immigrant workers. Arson is suspected.

Blast tragedy

Dakha — At least 20 people were killed and more than 30 wounded when a rice mill steam boiler blew up in an industrial township outside Dhaka.

Players held

Prague (AFP) — Six musicians belonging to the independent Jazz Section of Czechoslovak Musicians' jazz performers group have been arrested and charged with earning money illegally.

Envoy protest

Spain is to recall its ambassador to Chile in protest at Santiago's failure to answer adequately allegations that Chile's secret services had spied on the Spanish Embassy.

Alliance charts Nato path

From Jonathan Brande
Brussels

The Social Democrat-Liberal alliance presented a united front here yesterday as leaders set out their ideas for strengthening the European contribution to Nato. They spoke to the press after talks with Nato's Supreme Commander, General Bernard Rogers.

With their own differences over Britain's nuclear defences kept well covered, Dr David Owen and Mr David Steele argued that political divisions over nuclear policy threatened Britain's future role in Nato.

Accusing the Labour Party of dishonesty in claiming Britain could stay in Nato if US nuclear bases were closed down, Mr Steele said: "You cannot expect to be part of a collective system of security if you are not prepared to play your full part."

Dr Owen also aired his view that Europe would have to "pick up the tab" for its own defence

Iran stays buoyant in teeth of Gulf oil losses

From Robert Fisk, on board the Taftan off Larak Island, Iran

Mr Muhammad Souri leant forward in a knowledgeable way. "You know that the Exocet missile is not really dangerous to the crew of an oil tanker?" he asked.

We were sitting in the captain's cabin of the 141,000-tonne Iranian "shuttle" tanker Taftan, and the throb of the engines under our feet made the chairs, the table, even the cutlery, vibrate softly.

Perhaps Mr Souri sensed some incredulity. "Yes, you see we know where a missile hits a tanker, and so we give strict instructions to the crew on where they should take position and sleep during the daylight hours sailing near Kharg Island."

The chairman of the National Iranian Tanker Company, the man in charge of Iran's vulnerable oil export shipments from the Gulf, was telling the truth. Most crews sailing up to Kharg now know that hostile Iraqi aircraft always approach a tanker from the south, since the pilots would have to fly over Iran if they attacked from the north. So their missiles usually hit the port side of the ships when they are in-bound and the starboard side when they are out-bound and fully laden with oil. Sensible crewmen therefore sleep on the starboard going in and the port leaving.

Indeed, Mr Souri claimed that the British-made anti-missile aluminium "chaff" cannisters with which the tankers are being equipped now have actually been used successfully against an Exocet. He said the chaff confused the missile's radar during an Iraqi attack on a ship carrying the new equipment off Kharg Island last month.

But even Mr Souri does not try to disguise what happened last month when the Iraqi Air Force, confounding all Iran's predictions, staged a long-range air raid against the oil loading station at Sirri Island and set three ships on fire, destroying the Iranian tanker Azarpod and killing almost all her crew.

"We don't want to see the story of the Azarpod repeated," he said. "We don't think it will be. Now here at Larak we are further away but, more important, we have *taken certain new measures* to prevent this happening here." Mr Souri did not mention surface-to-air missiles, although the two Iranian naval officers sitting opposite him smiled gratefully at his assurances.

Mr Souri is anything but pessimistic despite the toll on shipping in the Gulf these past nine months, which now accounts for more than 60 tankers damaged by Iraqi or Iranian jets. "At Kharg Island now, we have 16 berths and the Iraqis have bombed them, but we have six working again at our "C" terminal there and six more at the "T" terminal.

"Our oil is flowing normally again and soon we shall return to our normal number of ships in the shuttle to Kharg — 14 or *15 tankers ferrying crude oil* and eight ships taking oil products to Kharg."

Shipping agents in the Arab Gulf states, it should be said, dispute Mr Souri's figures, claiming that there are only 14 berths in all at Kharg and that three at the most are working. Yet even they admit that the Iranians' capacity for repairing bomb damage and maintaining their flow of oil at about 1.2 million barrels a day through the Gulf is little short of a miracle.

It was also the first time that a senior Iranian oil official had given details of the country's export capacity and tanker movements since the Iraqi attack on Sirri Island. "Iran is now buying its own ships for the shuttle voyage," Mr Souri *revealed*. "*We have bought* eight tankers in the last eight months and we are about to purchase another two or three soon."

He insists that the Iraqis will not be able to cut off Iran's oil exports, however hard they try to attack the tankers. He confirmed that the Iranians were now planning to maintain up to three empty vessels off Larak to take up spare capacity on the Kharg shuttle if tankers are badly damaged.

Iran is now keeping spare seamen ashore at the naval port of Bandar Abbas to take over ships whose crews decide to abandon the dangerous shuttle voyage.

Warning shots for Soviet freighter

Bahrain (Reuter) — An Iranian warship fired warning shots to force a Soviet cargo vessel to heave-to for inspection in the Gulf on Tuesday night.

Sources said Iran challenged or stopped 10 cargo ships, including one other Soviet vessel, in the 24 hours up to yesterday morning.

The incident comes as the Soviet Union and Iran are seeking to improve long-strained relations.

● BAGHDAD: Iraq said yesterday it had recaptured an offshore oil platform in the northern Gulf, wiping out the Iranian force that seized the structure the previous day.

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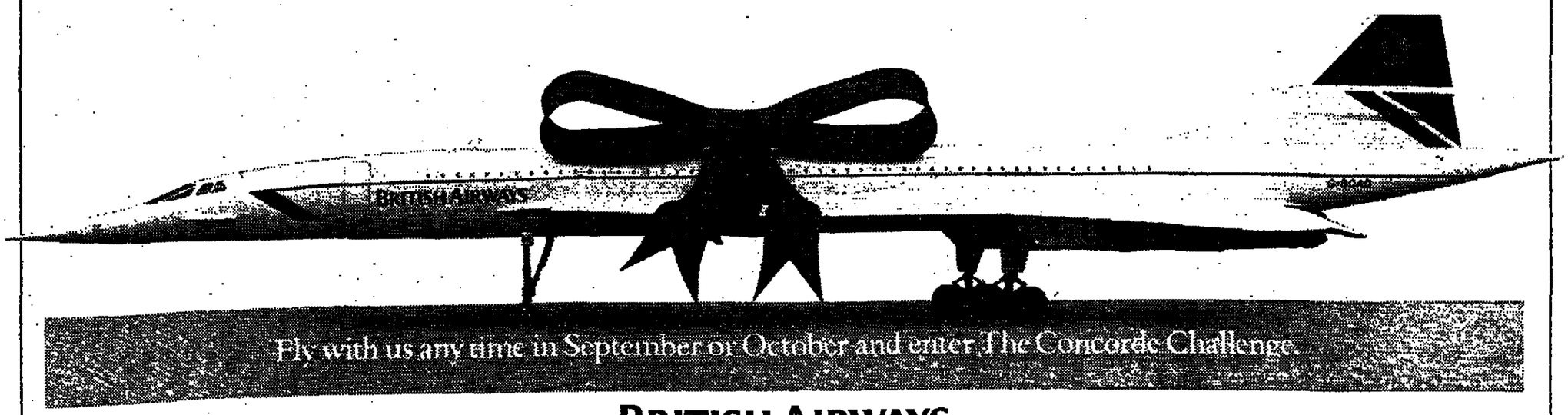

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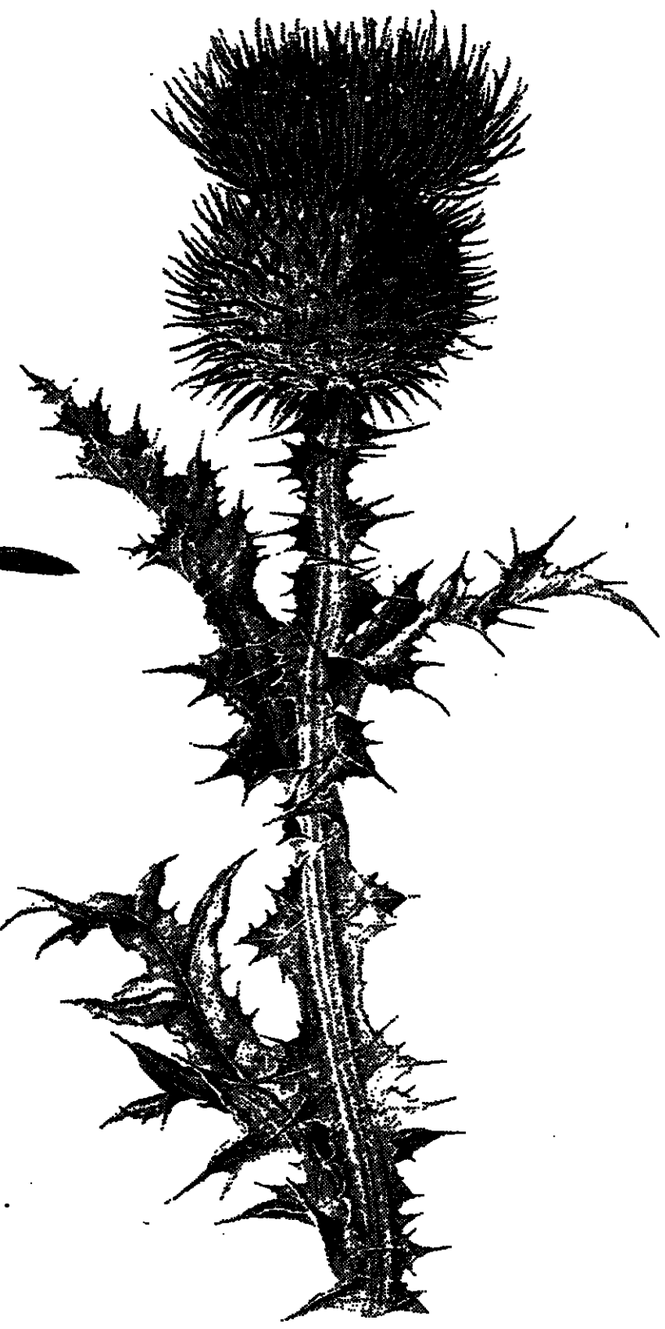

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Pretoria tries to counter pressure from within and without

Protesters seek court order to lift ban on Soweto mass funeral

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

A committee of churchmen and local community leaders was meeting last night in Soweto to discuss their response to the Government's ban on mass funerals of victims of police shootings.

Meanwhile, they instructed their lawyers to seek an urgent injunction from the Supreme Court setting aside the government ban.

The South African Council of Churches said yesterday that the funeral ban showed that the authorities were not prepared "to respect the feelings, the mourning and the pain of the people of Soweto".

"The Government would be to blame" if this lack of respect for human dignity resulted in further unrest.

The government edict was issued on Tuesday night as preparations were going ahead for a funeral today in Soweto for those shot dead by the police last week, when violence erupted over threats to evict people refusing to pay rent for their homes.

Among other things, the decree states that no more than one person may be buried at a time, only 200 people may attend, funerals must be held indoors, no banners, placards or posters may be displayed, no marches or processions may take place, and only ordained ministers may speak.

The chairman of the Soweto Civic Association, Dr Nthato Motlana, one of the leading opponents of the Government, said yesterday police officers had called at his house and told him that no funeral could be held without police authorization.

"I told them: 'First, you murder our people, and now you want us to ask for your permission to bury them. Why should we?'", Dr Motlana said during a break at his surgery in Soweto's Dube district.

There continues to be a dispute about the number of people killed in last week's violence, according to *The Star*, Johannesburg's evening paper. It reported yesterday that there were 27 bodies awaiting burial at various funeral parlours in Soweto.

The official casualty toll still stands at 21 dead and 98 injured. The Government's Bureau for Information said that six of the 27 bodies mentioned by *The Star* were those of victims of "normal crime".

Mrs Helen Suzman, the law and order spokesman of the Progressive Federal Party, the official opposition in the House of Assembly, said she feared there could be "tragic consequences" if the funeral restrictions were not lifted.

The effectiveness of the rent boycott as a weapon of protest is evident from figures disclosed by Mr Nico Malan, the white Town Clerk of Soweto.

These show that the sums of rent collected in Soweto in June, July and August were 900,000 rand, 1.6 million rand and 1.3 million rand, compared with a monthly rental income of 5 million (£1.4 million) before the boycott started on June 1.

It is difficult for the authorities to break the boycott because there are no easily identifiable ringleaders, and forcible mass evictions would undoubtedly provoke widespread violence. So far only seven families have been evicted in Soweto.

Botha bid to head off sanctions by Japan

From David Watts
Tokyo

The South African Government is making a last-minute attempt to forestall the imposition of tighter trade sanctions by Japan.

Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha, the Foreign Minister, arrived here last night for an unofficial visit requested by Pretoria.

Japan does not have full diplomatic relations with South Africa and the visit was clearly arranged at short notice. The Foreign Ministry knew nothing of it until three days ago.

Despite the lack of full relations, Mr Botha will today see Mr Tadashi Kuranari, the new Japanese Foreign Minister.

Trade between the countries has declined in recent years. Last year Japanese imports from South Africa were about £1.23 billion and exports about £700 million.

● **Far East tour: Western diplomats in Tokyo believe Mr Botha's tour, also taking in Taiwan and Hong Kong, is aimed at strengthening Far East trade ties in case Europe and the United States impose strict sanctions to force Pretoria to dismantle apartheid** (Reuter reports).

Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha arriving in Tokyo yesterday. With him, right, is the Consul-General to Japan, Mr Jan Wentzel.

American reporter threatened with smuggling charges

Moscow (AP) — Soviet officials are threatening to charge the American journalist, Mr Nicholas Daniloff, with smuggling after finding some items in his household goods that were not listed in a customs declaration, according to Mr Daniloff's wife.

Mrs Ruth Daniloff said the customs authorities had telephoned her husband's office in Moscow and told a translator that a smuggling case was being initiated.

The announcement came on the fourth day of Mr Daniloff's detention in Lefortovo prison. The KGB has accused him of espionage, but no formal charges have been filed.

Before Mr Daniloff was jailed, he and his wife were due to leave the Soviet Union at the end of his five-and-a-half years' assignment as correspondent for the *US News & World Report* magazine.

Last month they sent their household goods to the Butovo customs house for clearance. Mrs Daniloff said customs agents spent two days going through the items.

"In the bottom of my jewellery box, I had some rubbishy old jewellery," she said. "There also was a pocket watch that Nick got from his father on his 21st birthday, a locket that belonged to my mother and grandmother, a brooch and a Mexican bracelet."

Those items were not listed by the Daniloffs when they entered the country, or on their outgoing customs declaration, because they did not consider them valuable

● **WASHINGTON:** The Reagan Administration maintained its war of nerves with the Kremlin yesterday over Mr Daniloff's arrest (Christopher Thomas reports).

There is no doubt in the minds of senior officials that he was arrested in retaliation for charges of espionage against Mr Gennady Zakharov, a Soviet physicist employed by the United Nations.

Officials are worried that the two incidents could seriously disrupt the steady progress towards improving superpower relations, but both sides are clearly anxious that it should not spoil the chances for a Reagan-Gorbachov summit later this year.

Mr Zakharov is due to appear in court again in New York on Tuesday. If the judge decides to release him into the custody of the Soviet Ambassador, US officials believe the authorities in Moscow might then release Mr Daniloff.

Both Mr George Bush, the Vice-President, and Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, have said that Mr Daniloff has been framed.

US official hints at cutting air links

By Henry Stanhope, Foreign Policy Correspondent

Further decisions this month on sanctions against South Africa were promised yesterday by a senior American official, who said in London that he could not rule out the severing of air links between the two countries.

He added that he "would not be surprised" by an early meeting between the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, and the African National Congress leader, Mr Oliver Tambo.

"We are determined to expand and elevate our level of contact with all the key players," said the official, who was commenting on condition of anonymity.

Speaking after talks with Sir Geoffrey Howe, the British Foreign Secretary, and with a senior Japanese government official, he said the aim was not to carve out identical policies but to achieve a "broad harmony of view" in the West — on the timing of any measures as well as their likely impact.

With Congress returning next Monday, he made clear that neither of the sanctions Bills drawn up by the Senate and the House of Representatives was acceptable to the Administration in its present form.

Nor was there much enthusiasm to "bail out" frontline states in southern Africa from the folly of any double-edged economic sanctions they may try to impose. But the Administration would certainly like to do more for regional development if the money could be found.

People were going to have to negotiate on South Africa if they were to avoid "the abyss". The longer they delayed, the higher the price.

Prince sees Raleigh pioneers

From Paul Vallely
Boston

The Prince of Wales yesterday met young participants in American projects of "Operation Raleigh", the four-year international youth leadership programme which was began at his suggestion in 1984.

Two recently-returned Raleigh venturers discussed their work on projects in rural areas of Papua New Guinea and Peru, at a private meeting.

Mr Jim Frattarola of Pennsylvania reported on his three months in an isolated village, in the Amazon basin, where he and other volunteers helped local people build two cable suspension bridges to provide access to districts which are cut completely off in the rainy season.

Miss Serena Wilson of Connecticut discussed her work with a medical group in Papua New Guinea, where she assisted a team of field doctors in a rural programme of cataract surgery.

The Prince, who is in Boston for the 350th anniversary of Harvard University, at which he will deliver the main address today, arrived here on Tuesday evening.

He was greeted at the airport by a guard of honour from the Massachusetts National Guard who seemed determined to remind him of their independent status.

They wore the red and blue militia uniforms of their revolutionary predecessors from the American War of Independence, complete with powdered wigs and tricorn hats.

The Prince has been welcomed by cheering crowds at all of his public engagements.

So far there has been no sign of the demonstration against British policy in Northern Ireland which the security agencies here feared might be staged by members of the city's large Irish community.

Spotlight on Gadaffi criticized

From A Correspondent
Harare

Dr Nathan Shamuyarira, Zimbabwe's Minister of Information, last night attacked media attention to the Libyan leader, Colonel Gadaffi, at the summit of the Non-Aligned Movement here.

Dr Shamuyarira denied that Colonel Gadaffi's arrival in Harare late on Monday night had been unexpected. He also rejected reports that he was yesterday on the point of leaving without having the chance to address the summit.

"He has been taking full part in the discussions today," said the Information Minister, commenting on suggestions that the Libyan leader, who had wanted to have the summit in his own capital, Tripoli, was at loggerheads with less radical statesmen.

Argentina's President Alfonsin left unexpectedly yesterday, five days before the summit was due to close. He succeeded in gaining the floor on Tuesday, ahead of the prearranged list of speakers, making an appeal to the international community to recognize Argentina's claim to the Falkland Islands.

Radical Latin American states, led by Cuba, have apparently been lobbying behind the scenes. The conference chairman, Mr Robert Mugabe, the Zimbabwean Prime Minister, has begun referring to the Falklands by their Argentinian name.

President Alfonsin accused Britain of defying all resolutions on the eradication of colonialism adopted by international organizations.

● **RABAT:** King Hassan's senior political adviser said Colonel Gadaffi was wasting his time appealing to the International Court against Morocco's renunciation of its Treaty of Union with Libya, because the renunciation was irrevocable (AP reports).

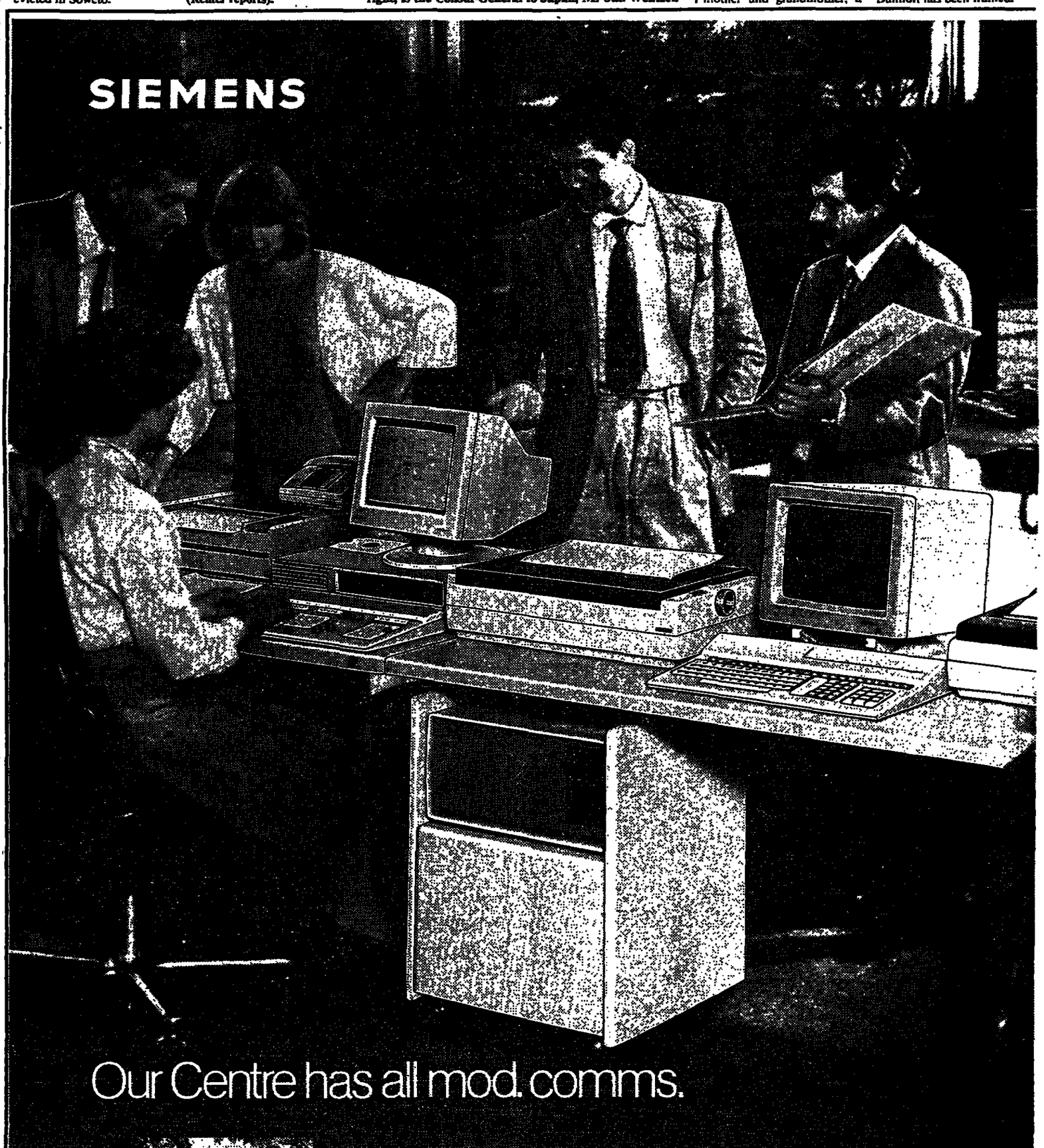
German refugee influx soars

Bonn (Reuter) — An influx of refugees into West Germany grew by 50 per cent in August to total nearly 15,000, the vast majority of them from the Third World, the Interior Ministry said yesterday.

A spokesman said the new increase brought the number who have sought asylum here so far this year to 66,814.

The rise appeared likely to inflame an intense debate on ways of stemming a stream of refugees from Africa, Asia and the Middle East which is expected to top 100,000 by the end of the year.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats yesterday proposed scrapping a constitutional clause which anchors the right to political asylum and replacing it with a more limited guarantee.



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India warns of damaging rift with Britain on visa controls

Harare (Reuter) — The introduction of visas for Indians visiting Britain would adversely affect relations between India and Britain, an Indian Government spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman, who is in Zimbabwe with Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, for this week's Non-Aligned Movement summit, said it was appalling, at a time when the Commonwealth and the rest of the world were trying to destroy South Africa's racial policies, that South Africans could still visit Britain freely.

"It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that this discriminatory measure is motivated by considerations of race and colour," he said.

After complaints of immigration chaos at Heathrow airport, Britain decided on Monday that visitors from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nigeria and Ghana, who had previously been able to arrive in the country without a visa, would in future have to get one.

He said the decision would cause "avoidable and unnecessary hardship and harassment to *bona fide* Indian visitors", and would "adversely affect the long-standing friendly relations between the peoples of India and UK".

President Babangida of Nigeria played down Britain's move here, calling it a purely administrative and technical measure with no political motives.

● **DHAKA:** Bangladesh yesterday requested talks with Britain on the visa controls.

"The Government regrets the move because it was taken outside the informal process of consultation and dialogue," it said in a statement.

Dhaka would be prepared to discuss the issue with the British Government because of "excellent relations between the two countries".

● **ISLAMABAD:** A Pakistan Foreign Office source said his Government was considering imposing visa restrictions on Britons in response (Hasan Akhtar writes).

The source said that, in spite of changes in immigration rules over the years by the British Government and Pakistan's decision to leave the Commonwealth, the visa procedure for visitors from Pakistan had remained more or less unchanged since independence in 1947.

Mr Richard Nelson, president of the Money Company, displaying a tea set that belonged to Adolf Hitler. It is to be auctioned in Hong Kong tomorrow, together with coins, medals and other memorabilia from the days of Germany's Third Reich.

Nixon hits back on Watergate era tape

From Christopher Thomas
Washington

Three months before he resigned, a defiant President Nixon dismissed Watergate as "the thinnest scandal in American history" and declared that "if these charges on Watergate were true, nobody would have to ask me to resign — I wouldn't serve for one month".

These comments, held on a tape recording released for the first time by the National Archives, were made by the former President in an interview in 1974 with Rabbi Baruch Korff.

The tape was among 4,467 recordings made routinely and openly by the White House Communications Agency during Mr Nixon's presidency.

Mr Nixon, commenting on how the media were handling Watergate, said: "They are consumed by this issue. I can see in the eyes of them ... their hatred. I feel sorry for them in a way."

When asked how historians would assess the scandal, he said it would be regarded as something difficult to understand, particularly "in the campaign of an individual who is a political pro, which I am".

He said "Watergate would not have happened" if he had paid attention to it rather than to trying to extricate the US from the Vietnam war.

FAO agricultural strategy

Land revolution can feed Africa

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

Africa is able to meet its own food needs — provided it can revolutionize its farming systems to avoid a recurrence of crises like the 1984 famine which brought widespread starvation to a large part of the continent.

This is the theme of a study of African agriculture, looking ahead into the next century, completed by experts of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and now under discussion by African agriculture ministers meeting at Yamoussoukro in Ivory Coast.

Between now and September 11 the conference is expected to draw up a commitment to press all African governments to devote more resources to farming, and to promote an international effort to overcome the problems of unreliable rainfall, environmental degradation, poor farming practices and inadequate incentives for African farmers to get the best out of their land.

The document, *African Agriculture — The Next 25 Years*, is essentially a strategy for Africa to regain the capability to feed itself. It has been drawn up in the light of modern farming techniques, the availability of new seeds which can better withstand drought and the need to expand production dramatically to keep pace with a fast-growing population.

The FAO director-general, Mr Edouard Saouma, points out in a message to the conference that, if agricultural performance is not greatly increased, there will be repeated and massive famines, and many African states will be unable to finance imports needed to feed their people.

If trends continue, only four African countries will be able to feed themselves in 25 years' time and the rest will have to import 100 million tons of cereals a year, the cost of which would far exceed the revenue earned from African exports of coffee, tea, cotton, cocoa and other products.

"Given radical reforms in agricultural and economic policies, food production in many countries can increase significantly," Mr Saouma adds.

Agriculture accounts for half Africa's gross domestic product, 80 per cent of its employment and 90 per cent of its foreign exchange earnings. Yet few African countries spend more than 10 per cent of their budgets on the farm sector, and less than 20 per cent of foreign aid goes there.

Last year African leaders agreed to increase public investment in farming to between 20 and 25 per cent. This commitment was later incorporated in resolutions adopted at the special UN session on Africa last May.

This week in Yamoussoukro technical committees of African ministers are examining the FAO study to produce recommendations for the plenary session opening on Monday.

The theme of the study is that African agriculture need not continue to alternate between famines and crop surpluses (which are all too often lost through poor storage, large insect losses, inefficient marketing and distribution). But there is no magic solution.

With the population doubling over the next 25 years, half of Africa will have to depend on food imports if production is not quickly increased. The political consequences of such a situation must not be ignored, the FAO warns.

But Africa has the land, water and technology to produce much more food. The most important ingredient of recovery is the conservation of land and water resources — stopping the advance of deserts and halting soil erosion and deforestation.

More incentives must be provided to encourage farmers to produce more (this means higher cash prices for food crops), and other obstacles, such as inflexible land tenure systems and inadequate housing, must be tackled.

The FAO study says there are vast differences between the situation in different parts of Africa, and the needs of each country and region must be taken into account.

But the fact remains that food production per head in Africa as a whole has fallen by nearly 20 per cent since 1980, and this cannot be allowed to continue.

"The poor performance of African agriculture has not been caused by drought — though exceptionally low rainfall has aggravated the situation," it adds.

Although reserves of good arable land are small in many areas, there is enough farming land to provide food for the continent. Most of the increase must come from improved seeds, greater use of fertilizers and pesticides and by mechanization.

Much of the cost of fertilizers and other inputs must be met by the developed world, the FAO says.

Poland's farm fund plan dies

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw

The Roman Catholic Church in Poland yesterday announced that it was abandoning a much cherished scheme to channel millions of pounds to private farmers and thus improve food supplies.

The Church laid the blame squarely on the Government, saying that it was attempting to control the funds and undermine the autonomy of the proposed foundation.

The announcement marks the end of four years of hard negotiations, during which Church emissaries have travelled the world for cash donations.

The Pope raised the issue during his 1983 visit to Poland. But over the past year, the foundation has been dying a slow death.

On Tuesday the Primate, Cardinal Józef Glemp, met the organizing committee. According to the communiqué, they concluded that talks with the Government on the fund had come to a total *impasse*.

The idea was to raise money — about $2 billion (£1.3 billion) was originally set as a target — which could be used to buy fertilizers and modern equipment in the West.

The Church foundation would then distribute the equipment, as diverse as spare tractor tyres, milk-cooling machines and combine harvesters, to private farmers.

The Church says that it received commitments of $28 million to a pilot scheme. As Church officials said yesterday, they were confident of raising $180 to $200 million.

Government officials had always hinted that these targets were unrealistic and that the foundation would never raise enough cash to make an impact on Poland's undermechanized agriculture.

But the crucial issue was always who would control the money. The Church says that the Government wanted to insert two restrictive clauses in the statutes of the foundation.

The authorities insisted, according to the Church, that the decision of the Agriculture Minister would be final and unchallengeable.

Cardinal Glemp has asked the organizing committee to search for other ways of assisting Polish farmers.

Turmoil in Spanish opposition

From A Correspondent
Madrid

Spain's biggest opposition party, the Popular Alliance coalition led by Señor Manuel Fraga, is in turmoil less than three months after the general elections of June 22.

But yesterday the party's new Secretary-General, Señor Alberto Gallardón, aged 27, said the Popular Alliance was not in a state of crisis.

He said all that had occurred with Monday's dismissal of Señor Jorge Vestrynge, his predecessor who had led the party since 1979 and who was a close associate of Señor Fraga, was a "necessary renewal" to put the party on a stronger footing for regional and general elections next year. Few believe him.

For his part, Señor Vestrynge looked ashen and shocked when Señor Gallardón was named as his successor at a party function.

Señor Fraga, aged 63, who had treated Señor Vestrynge as his political godchild, had told him on Monday that, although he never intended "to ever throw anyone to the lions", he was nevertheless dismissing him because he had talked too much — especially about the possibility of Señor Fraga running for mayor of Madrid next year.

But the immediate cause of the crisis and his dismissal was not Señor Vestrynge's speculation concerning Señor Fraga's intentions in the forthcoming municipal elections, but his own moves to change the party statutes to ensure the leadership would be exercised in a more collegiate way.

Several members of the Popular Alliance think the party would have a better chance of being an alternative to the Socialist Government if it adopted a more centrist position and shed some of the more right-wing ideas that link it with the former Franco dictatorship.

For some members, this would include shedding Señor Fraga who, though a confirmed democrat, was a minister in the Franco Government.

Further signs of a leadership crisis in the party surfaced with squabbling at its seventh national congress in February this year and its poor showing in the June general elections.

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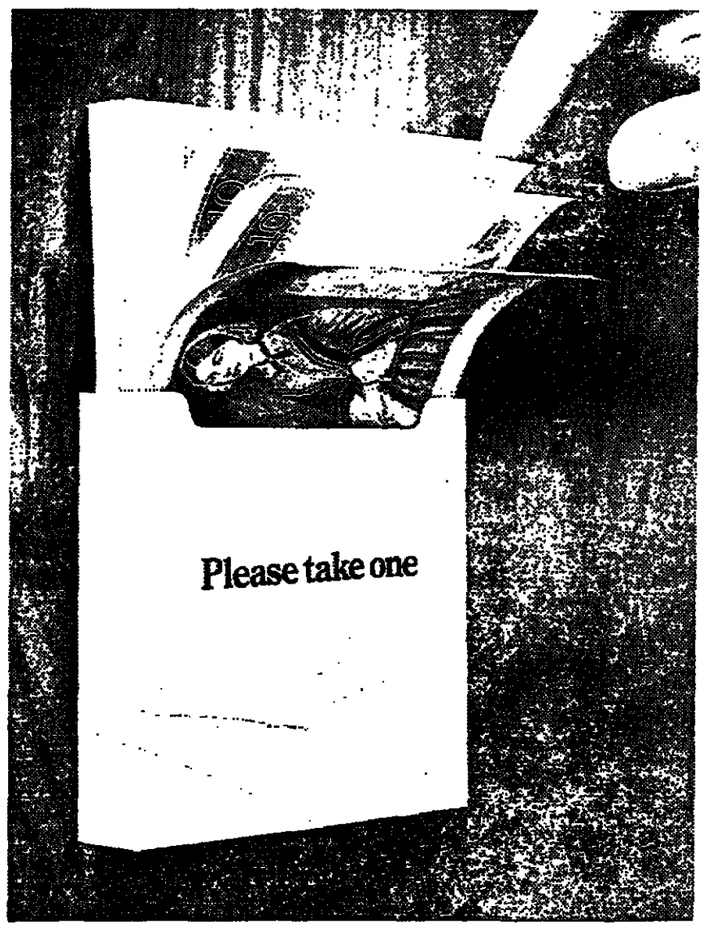

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Gatecrashing couple sell story of Berlin escape to newspaper

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

The young East Berlin couple who last week escaped from East Germany to West Germany, astonishing both by crashing a seven-ton lorry through Checkpoint Charlie, have sold their story to the mass-circulation *Bild*, which has been telling it all week.

The tale of the "fantastic superflight" has been exciting, doubtless having been helped along by the age-old narrative skills of *Bild*.

Herr Hans Joachim Pofahl, aged 33, made the border dash with his companion, simply described as Martina, aged 26, huddled on the floor of the cabin and curled protectively round their eight-month-old daughter.

Herr Pofahl is quoted as reliving the moment when, having smashed through the striped, metal boom lowered by the East German guards in front of approaching vehicles, he suddenly saw an iron gate closing in front of him.

"I'll never do it. That damn gate is quicker than me.

"I'm staring ahead, steering through this narrow space. The gate is racing up towards me. An enormous noise, and a crash. Gunfire? The windscreen is breaking. Bits of glass all over me. It's as if we've been hit by a gigantic fist. The lorry is flying to the right."

To avoid the gate he swerved into the lane for traffic coming from the West. He hit the gate as he did so and as the East German guards opened fire.

Oil was coming from the engine. He tried to change gear, but realized the clutch had given out. How far do I have to go, he wondered.

Straight ahead there was a street crossing. He hoped there were no cars on it.

"Am I still in the GDR (East Germany)?" he asked himself.

He saw cars parked in the street on either side, and a group of young people. "Am I in the West?" he asked them.

"Sure," they said, before understandably asking him where he had come from.

Through it all Martina was lying on the floor of the cabin, curled round the baby.

In yesterday's final instalment of the story, Herr Pofahl revealed that, while searching for a suitable place to crash through the Wall, they had first considered the Brandenburg Gate.

Late one night they went to examine its potential, when suddenly a voice from the darkness asked them: "What are you doing here?" It was a policeman.

"Can't you see, we're just going for a walk," Herr Pofahl replied.

"In the middle of the night?" asked the policeman.

"I have to work during the day, and anyway it's my business when I go for a walk."

"Your papers!"

The policeman checked their names with his list of known troublemakers. They were not on it.

After this, the couple decided against the Brandenburg Gate and instead began taking strolls in Friedrichstrasse, near Checkpoint Charlie.

On the fateful day, Herr Pofahl reported sick at work for the week, in order to make all the preparations. They sold their television for about £83 and Martina hung out the washing so as to make everything look normal.

The story ends with them strolling along the Kurfürstendamm, the rich street in West Berlin, with Martina saying that everything was like a fairy tale and that she would now like to visit Paris.

Nicholas Burton, aged two, falling towards the outstretched arms of a rescuing police officer after being dropped yesterday from the roof of a burning building in Boston, Massachusetts. The child's mother, Veronica, stands on the roof, waiting for her turn to leap to safety.

Tamil boat captain feels no guilt

Hamburg (Reuter) – The West German captain suspected of illegally taking 155 Tamil refugees to Canada said yesterday he considered the matter closed.

Herr Wolfgang Bindel said from his home in Nordenham, near Bremen: "The police have not approached me, therefore the whole thing is over. Why should I feel guilty? Guilty of what, anyway?"

A spokesman for the public prosecutor's office in the northern city of Oldenburg said authorities were considering whether they had enough evidence to bring charges against Herr Bindel.

He has denied all involvement in the affair, although Hamburg police have said his ship, the 425-ton freighter Aurigae, took the Tamils from Europe to Canada last month. Two Sri Lankans have admitted organizing the trip.

Herr Bindel returned to Nordenham on Tuesday but refused to speak to dozens of newsmen who besieged his house.

He denied telling a Toronto newspaper that he had treated the Tamils well and did everything to ensure they were found quickly.

● COLOMBO: Tamil guerrillas have severed the causeway linking Mannar in Sri Lanka with India, security sources said yesterday (Vijitha Yapa writes).

Islamabad control rejected by tribes

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad

An all-tribal assembly, the Loi Jirga, which included four members of the Pakistan Parliament, has rejected any move by the Government to extend the law and constitution to the tribal areas bordering Afghanistan.

The tribal areas in the North West Frontier Province and Baluchistan are administered by the traditional tribal system.

The writ of the courts remains virtually non-existent in these tribal areas even after the creation of Pakistan in 1947.

The Loi Jirga is reported to have warned the authorities against any contemplated change in the tribal administrative and social systems.

It said that even the British could not enslave the tribes.

The Loi Jirga, led by Malik Jahangir Khan and Malik Fazal Khan, both members of the National Assembly (the Pakistan Parliament's lower house), Malik Gulab Khan and Malik Saadullah Khan, both members of the Senate, the upper house, also demanded compensation for loss to life and property by Afghan military incursions into the tribal belt and adequate employment for tribal people in Pakistan's services.

Mexico poll anger links left to right

From A Correspondent, Mexico City

A countrywide movement against the Mexican Government's control of national elections was strengthened this week when the four main opposition parties announced a "national forum on effective suffrage" for Saturday and Sunday and called on all electors and civic organizations to attend.

The right-wing National Action Party (PAN) and three left-wing groups – the United Mexican Socialist Party (PSUM), the Mexican Workers' Party (PMT) and the Revolutionary Workers' Party (PRT) – said they had buried their political differences "to fight for democratic elections".

The parties complain that recent state elections in Chihuahua, Durango and Oaxaca were manipulated by the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), and that their protests have gone unheard because the government runs the election process and dominates the state electoral colleges that judge the validity of the results.

The opposition is demanding the creation of an electoral organization that will be completely independent of the government and the PRI. It is also demanding that government subsidies for PRI election campaigns be stopped.

Meanwhile, the PAN will present evidence of alleged electoral fraud in Chihuahua on Sunday before the Inter-American Human Rights Commission of the Organisation of American States. It also plans to put evidence of fraud in the Durango elections before the commission later this year.

Opposition protests are continuing in all three states. In Oaxaca, eight opposition members are in the second week of a hunger strike. The opposition parties said they would launch pilgrimages to "condemn electoral fraud and achieve democratic elections".

Mexican observers point out that the alleged PRI-government manipulation of state elections this year has achieved the impossible by not only uniting the traditionally divided left, but bringing it into an alliance with the conservative, right-wing PAN.

Crackdown in Bolivia defended

La Paz (Reuter) – The threat of civil war forced President Paz Estenssoro of Bolivia to decree an indefinite state of siege, Señor Fernando Barthelemy, the Interior Minister, has told the National Congress.

In a speech explaining the President's reasons for imposing the state of siege last Thursday, Señor Barthelemy said the decree "came in a moment of great upheaval that threatened the nation's peace".

He said on Tuesday that leaders of the Bolivian Workers Confederation (COB) and "fringe parties called for an uprising against the Government in a practical civil war. The Government was seeking a return to public order with this preventive measure".

The minister also said the Government had discovered one Cuban and an unspecified number of Nicaraguans training Bolivians for "subversive cells with shock squads".

The Cuban and Nicaraguans had arrived legally as technical advisers, he said. He gave no details on whether they were still in the country.

Señor Paz Estenssoro decreed the state of siege to counter what he called a plan by left-wing labour and political leaders to take advantage of a protest march on La Paz by 7,000 tin miners last week and "liquidate" his 13-month-old centre-right Government.

Troops stopped and dispersed the miners under threat of force outside the capital on Thursday.

In a special session of Congress which was punctuated by cheers for Señor Barthelemy and opposition shouts of "send him to the firing squad", Señor Barthelemy said the miners' march had openly subversive ends.

La Paz remained calm during the sixth day of the state of siege, but strikes and anti-government demonstrations multiplied across the rest of the country.

Demonstrations last night in Cochabamba, which is 240 miles south-east of here, left one policeman dead and three people injured, police said.

14 killed in two air crashes

Sydney (Reuter) – An air ambulance and a small charter aircraft crashed in separate accidents, killing 14 people, police said yesterday.

In Melbourne, a Cessna 402 crashed shortly after take-off from Essendon airport, killing four patients, a nurse and the pilot. In northern Queensland, a missing Piper Navajo was found on a mountainside near Cairns, with eight people dead.

Power chief

Moscow (AP) – The Soviet Union has appointed Mr Vadim Malyshev, aged 54, to replace the sacked chairman of the state atomic power safety committee.

Egli to quit

President Alphons Egli of Switzerland, above, says ill-health will force him to give up his seat in the Government at the end of the year.

No smoking

Canberra (Reuter) – The Australian Government plans to ban smoking in all its offices throughout the country within the next 18 months.

Six executed

Hong Kong (Reuter) – Six men, including two who robbed a British businessman, have been executed in the south China city of Canton.

Ark bid ends

Ankara (Reuter) – The former US astronaut James Irwin has abandoned his latest attempt to climb Mount Ararat in search of Noah's Ark.

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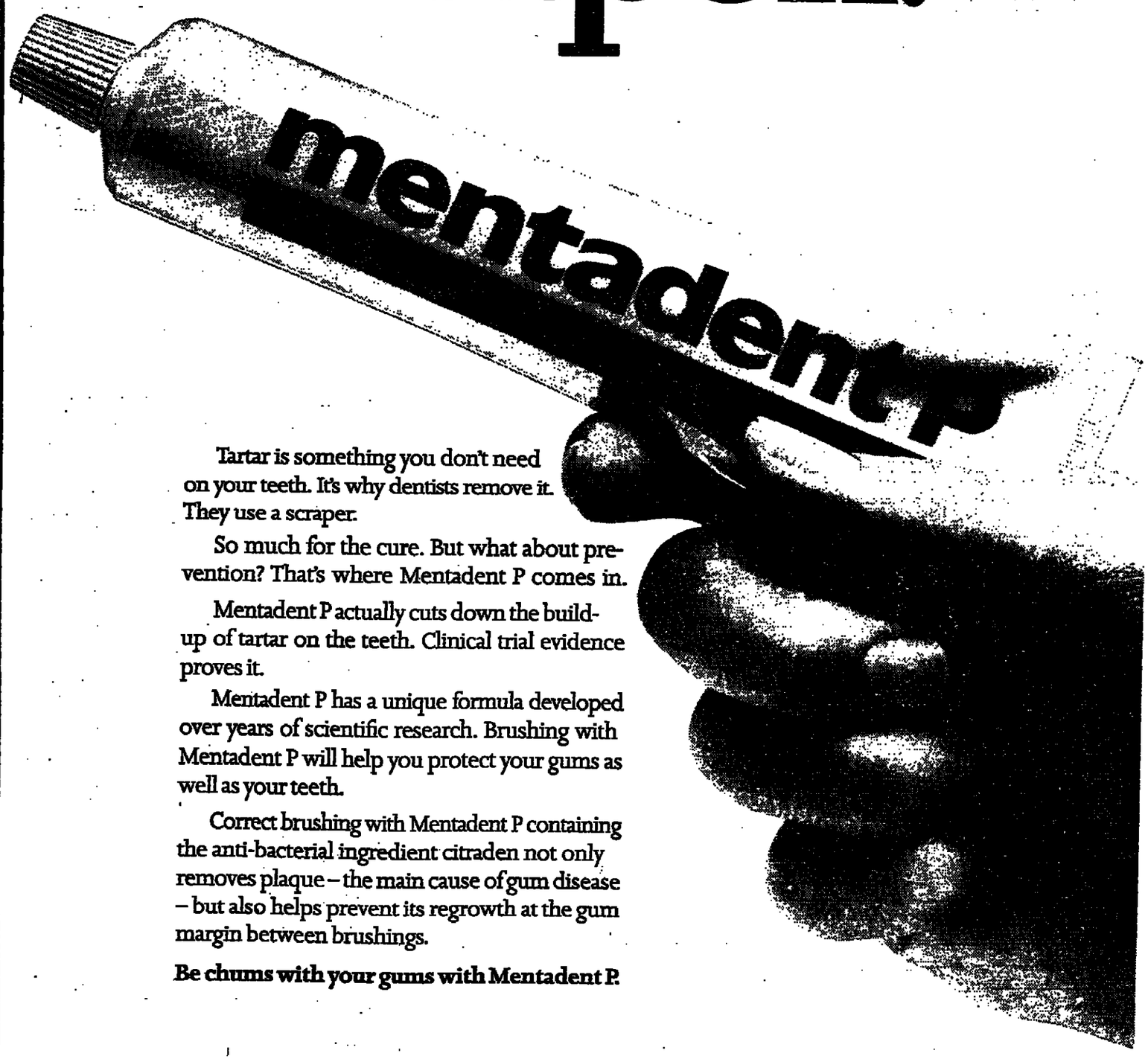

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The entertainer in old age

THE TIMES
PROFILE
KINGSLEY AMIS

Kingsley Amis once defined his intentions as part of his entry in a literary encyclopaedia. "What I think I am doing is writing novels within the main English-language tradition: that is, trying to tell interesting, believable stories about understandable characters in a reasonably straightforward style; no tricks, no experimental foolery."

No style could be more instantly familiar — bluff, matter-of-fact, colloquial and insistently squaring up for a fight. And no name springs more rapidly to people's lips in talk of the post-war English novel than that of Amis, a writer who has turned himself into a living emblem of the nation's vain attempts to keep things in perspective.

Amis, who was to reject derisively the canon of modernist literature, was born in 1922, the year of the publication of *Ulysses* and *The Waste Land*. He was brought up in Norbury, south-west London. His father was an export clerk for Colman's Mustard, but avoided being moved to Norwich in 1938 when the company merged with Reckitts.

So the following year Amis, who had been attending the City of London School, was evacuated with the rest of London's children. He went to Marlborough College in Wiltshire and then to St John's College, Oxford, to read English. There he met Philip Larkin.

"I got drunk with him several times before I realized he wrote any poetry", says Amis. "He was a different character from what he became later. He was a flashy dresser, he shouted a lot, drank a lot of beer and played jazz records."

Amis had wanted to be a writer from the age of 10, but he shared Larkin's reticence on the matter. Literature was their work. They would discuss the latest release from the Louisiana Rhythm Kings endlessly, but not books.

There were two obvious reasons. First the war — most knew they would have to fight, and this engendered a certain seriousness about work. Second, there was an antipathy to the grand self-consciousness of modernism. Under the influence of their tutor, Gavin Bone, they were coming to believe more in a reticent English tradition, exemplified by their early championship of John Betjeman.

In 1942, while most of his contemporaries — including Larkin — proved to be unfit for service, Amis was called up. For three years he was with the Royal Corps of Signals. His war was not dangerous but it was a hard, dour experience which reinforced his seriousness about the primacy of craftsmanship and getting on with the job.

In 1945 he returned to Oxford and took another four years to complete his degree. Despite Bone's influence, he also produced a distinctly modernist novel called *The Legacy*.

"It was terrible, terrible. It got modernism out of my system. It had a hero called Kingsley Amis and it was full of pointlessly long descriptions of things."

By 1949 the job problem was looming. He was married now — to Hilary Bardwell — and he had two children, Philip and Martin. He had decided on teaching as the only thing he could possibly do. He had vaguely aspired to a quiet country school where he could get on with his writing, but at the suggestion of an Oxford contemporary, the author John Wain, he opted for university lecturing. This was a rare calling in those days before the expansion of higher education.

It was with this in mind that he visited Leicester University, where Larkin had become a librarian. It was a Saturday morning and Larkin had some work to do so he left Amis in the common room. He watched the lecturers as they milled about. They were a new breed to him — provincial academics — with new pecking orders, rituals and anxieties. It gave him an idea.

Amis took a job at University College, Swansea, and settled down to teaching and writing his second novel. Its central figure was a young assistant lecturer in a provincial university, discontented with his lot, consumed with loathing for his professor, saddled with a girlfriend he did not fancy and barely able to finance a serious beer habit. He was Jim Dixon — *Lucky Jim* Dixon.

After taking almost a year to make up its mind, Gollancz published the novel in January 1954. To his amazement Amis found almost at once that he was part of a literary movement — or possibly three literary movements. First, there was the provincial movement, a group headed by William Cooper. Second, there was The Movement itself, a loose collection, mainly of poets said to be in the process of knocking some hard common sense into English letters. And finally he was an Angry Young Man, left-wing and obsessed with the vacuity of our national life.

None of these movements actually existed, of course, and certainly Amis did not regard himself as a card-carrying member of any of them. But they served a journalistic purpose and they helped book sales, so he did not complain. The real point was that *Lucky Jim* had struck an extraordinarily universal chord, as Amis only gradually realized. On one occasion he met a Yugoslavian professor who told him that students at home identified very closely with Jim. "He represents their own struggle against Stalinism", whispered the professor. "Say no more."

But for Amis, Jim, and indeed all his characters, have no such symbolic weight. Jim was not fighting the system — just the bit of it he happened to be in. If either the characters or their situations became generalized, the poignancy and hilarity of their thousands of tiny dramas and defeats were lost. For then, as now, Amis's ideal novel is quite simple, quite specific: "To me the most fascinating sort of fiction is a good, truthful, funny account of how human beings behave and live. Human nature, in fact. I have very little to offer the reader in the way of thrills and excitement, though I hope they are going to be interested and involved."

Story-teller: Amis, whose 15th novel appears next week, with his heroes P.G. Wodehouse and Evelyn Waugh

By 1961, four more Amis novels had been published and he had become established as a leading literary light, a figure representative of the new, undeceived realism of the 1950s. Only his third — *I Like It Here* — seemed to raise significant critical doubts.

He left Swansea in that year to take up a fellowship at Peterhouse College, Cambridge, where F.R. Leavis described him as a pornographer, and where he became dismayed at the factionalism of the study of Eng. Lit.

In 1963 his life was turned upside down. His father died. He separated from his wife and three children — Philip and Martin had now been joined by Sally. He left his job to write full time and went to live in London with novelist Elizabeth Jane Howard.

Luckily he started his new life with a range of projects in hand including *The Egyptologists*, a novel being co-written with Robert Conquest, and some work on Ian Fleming which was to emerge in 1968 as *Colonel Sun: A James Bond Adventure*. Meanwhile the mainstream novels continued to flow steadily as well as poetry and a range of non-fiction work — editing *The Oxford Book of Light Verse*, a short study of Kipling, a book on drinking and so on.

In 1965 he married Elizabeth Jane Howard but they were to separate in 1980. Amis moved into his present house near Regent's Park in London, which he shares improbably with his first wife and her husband. "It seems a bit like an Iris Murdoch novel . . . but we're all very old now."

Meanwhile his own recent novels — *Jake's Thing*, *Stanley and the Women* and his latest, *The Old Devils*, to be published on Thursday next week by Century Hutchinson — have taken on the lineaments of age. Now Jim's irritation with pretension has been mixed with the enemies of constipation, chest pains and impending dissolution.

"Being old is quite awful really. But it's amusing as well and if you can make the thought of it seem funny, you might help people."

Martin Amis, of course, has grown up to establish his own reputation as a novelist with some brilliant firework displays that leave his father admiring but uneasy. "I respect him as a craftsman. He is very intelligent and very talented but I think he is going up the wrong alley. I say give the reader something to enjoy in every sentence but he goes further, so that after a while I'm dying for an ordinary sentence that just says something like, 'They finished their drinks and left.'

"Sometimes it reminds me of what C.S. Lewis said of Kipling — he felt 'bombarded with felicities'."

It is worth noting that Martin's latest novel *Money* contains a character called Martin Amis — as *The Legacy*, the emetic his father once took to cure himself of modernism, had contained one Kingsley Amis.

But Amis *père*, now 64, is not about to change. He loathes the very idea of development, quoting his old friend Larkin — "I got it right first time". Besides, he simply loves writing in the way he does. He does not believe there have been any great English writers since the Second World War and quotes Larkin again — "we are just the best of a bad lot". He identifies his own heroes — Waugh, Powell and Wodehouse — as essentially pre-war figures.

Finally it is this sense of an empty, somewhat vacuous age which seems to come close to the heart of all his work. His novels are no-nonsense, well-made, good-humoured products. They are about the struggle to get by in the gutter and their heroes seldom roll over to gaze at the stars. Like Larkin he is awestruck by the *idea* of religion but he cannot subscribe.

Instead, his novels are happily committed to the obliteration of cant without thought of what to put in its place. It is the very determination of his opposition to the world and its stupid people, decaying bodies and perverse inanimate objects which holds them together. In the depths, of course, Amis might find nothing, not even a reason for writing novels, and he might discover that the homely tradition to which he subscribes was softly and silently severed some years ago.

Perhaps he would never admit it, but he seems to know, and it is that knowledge which fuels the helpless sense of indirection and purposelessness in his characters. These lines are from an early Amis poem called *Belgian Winter*:

Then if history had a choice, he
would point his cameras
Oh yes anywhere but here, any
time but now.

Bryan Appleyard

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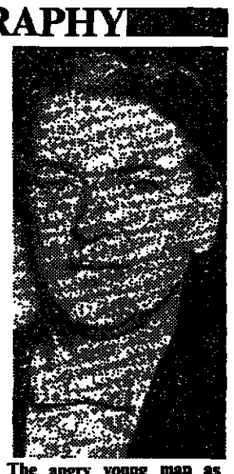
BIOGRAPHY

1922: Born south London April 16. Educated at City of London School.
1939: Evacuated from London. Completed his schooling at Marlborough, Wiltshire.
1941: St John's College, Oxford to read English.
1942: Joins the Royal Corps of Signals.
1945: Returns to Oxford.
1948: Marries Hilary Ann Bardwell.
1949: Completes degree and becomes lecturer at University College, Swansea.
1954: Publication of *Lucky Jim*.
1955: *That Uncertain Feeling*
1958-59: Visiting Fellow in creative writing at Princeton University, USA.
1961: Fellowship at Peterhouse College, Cambridge.
1963: Father dies. Separated from wife. His three children — Philip, Martin and Sally — all came from his first marriage. Gives up job and moves to London with the novelist Elizabeth Jane Howard.
1967: Visiting professor, Vanderbilt University, Tennessee.
1979: *Collected Poems 1944-1979*.
1980: Separates from Elizabeth Jane Howard.
1986: *The Old Devils*, his 15th novel.



The angry young man as groom: Amis on the day of his wedding to Elizabeth Jane Howard in June, 1965

Campaigners for the lost cause

Fresh revelations in the Carl Bridgewater case highlight the lonely role of the investigative author — a tradition dating back to Conan Doyle

WHEN PAUL FOOT was first asked to write a book about the controversy surrounding newsboy Carl Bridgewater's murder in 1978 he was not keen. The jury had been unanimous and there was an unchallenged confession by one of the accused. And while it might seem every investigative journalist's dream to right injustice in a murder case, Foot had had a chastening experience from his previous book, *The A6 Murder*. His bid to exculpate James Hanratty taught *him* how much work would be involved, and how little it might eventually achieve.

His concern appears to have been justified. Paul Foot's book *Murder at the Farm* is to be published next week by Sidgwick and Jackson, but its section dealing with the part the evidence of Brian Sinton played in securing the conviction of Michael Hickey, one of three men convicted of the murder, is already completely outdated by Sinton's appearance at a press conference yesterday to announce that he had been lying all along. Hickey had not, after all, confessed to the murder in the showers of Winson Green Prison.

At one time after his release from prison in 1980, Sinton tried to contact Foot, who at the insistence of Michael Hickey's mother had begun writing about the case in the *Daily Mirror*, to tell him his story. The call, confused and rambling, was taken by a colleague while Foot was out of the office. The opportunity was lost, and Sinton, now living as Brian Barraclough, was not found again until Foot's book had been printed.

FOOT TAKES it philosophically. "It was a foul up. The fact that the news breaks now is entirely coincidental, and while it attracts interest to the case obviously I would dearly have loved to find Sinton before I finished writing. We were looking for him for years."

What finally determined Foot to tackle the book was Michael Hickey's second rooftop protest against his conviction. For 89 days in the winter of 1983 Hickey went on the roof of Gartree prison, near Leicester. "It was suddenly obvious", Paul Foot says, "that if Michael could spend a whole winter on a prison roof, I could write a book".

Foot, nephew of Michael Foot, public schoolboy turned editor of *Socialist Worker* and best-known publicist for the remote-left Socialist Workers Party, works in an idiosyncratic British tradition of patrician concern with injustice and its victims — often petty criminals — in the lower levels of society.

The tradition reaches back to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and his campaign for Oscar Slater, a German Jew with a background of petty crime, convicted in 1909 of the murder in Glasgow of Miss Marion Gilchrist. The creator of Sherlock Holmes was convinced the case was "vitiated from first to last" and published a pamphlet demanding "reconsideration" in 1912. It was not until 15 years later that the Scottish appeal court set the verdict aside. Slater was given £6,000 compensation for his 19 years in prison, and died, aged 75, in 1948.

MORE RECENTLY the great author/campaigner has been Ludovic Kennedy, who did a correspondence course in journalism while he was at Eton, and went on to write books which brought a posthumous pardon for Timothy Evans, the Welsh illiterate framed by the necrophiliac John Christie at the eponymous *Ten Rillington Place*; a free pardon for the Glasgow builder Paddy Meehan, who had been convicted of the murder of Mrs Rachel Ross in 1969, and who eventually received £50,500 for the seven years he served of his life sentence (*A Presumption of Innocence*); and immediate release (but no pardon) for David Cooper and Michael McMahon who, on the evidence of an habitual liar, served more than 10 years in prison for the murder

Old campaigner: Paul Foot

in 1969 of a Luton postmaster.

Mr Kennedy's latest book, like his first, seeks to exonerate someone who has already paid the capital penalty: *The Airman and the Carpenter* develops the case made out by the American journalist Anthony Scaduto in a book called *Scapegoat* that the carpenter Bruno Richard Hauptmann was framed for the kidnapping and murder of the Lindbergh baby, for which he was electrocuted in 1936.

There is no shortage of continuing cases, though, for investigators willing to devote their energies to them. The BBC *Rough Justice* team won the release in 1983 of an unemployed squatter, Mervyn "Jock" Russell, convicted in the "handful of hair" murder after its television investigation of the case prompted new evidence from a pathologist. Russell has been paid an interim £15,000 for the seven years he spent in prison.

Robin Young

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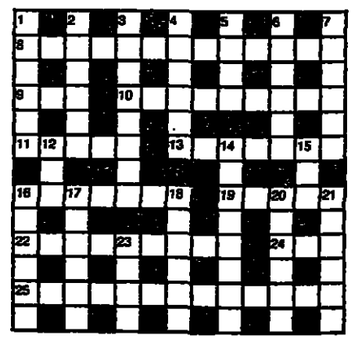

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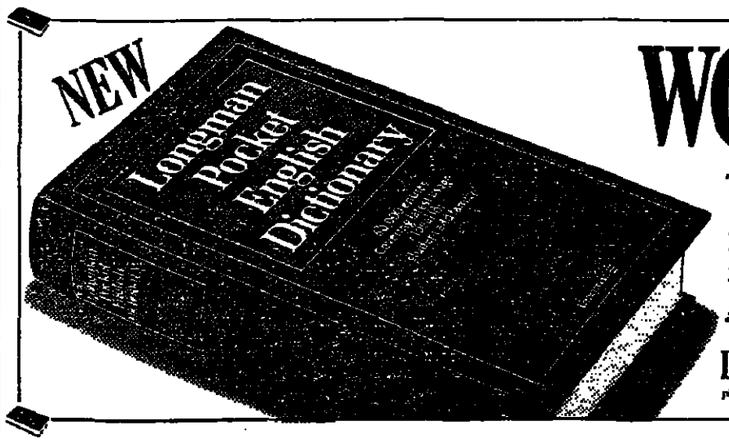

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BOOKS

The demon oaf of a Greek soap opera

Peter Ackroyd reviews the empty life of another Socrates

ARI
The Life and Times of Aristotle Socrates Onassis
By Peter Evans
Cape, £12.95

So great was Onassis's hunger for fame that he wanted to turn himself into a fictional character: "I think it should read like a novel," he told Peter Evans, his putative biographer, and he wanted to be..."the villain. Villains always have the best parts." In that respect, at least, he has got his wish. If he wanted to be enrolled on the first page of the demonology of capitalism, he could have found no finer testament than this book.

Of course there are always excuses. As a boy he experienced the instability of fate: the Turks sacked his native town of Smyrna, his uncles were executed, and his father was placed in a concentration camp. But he did what many sucessful people do: he turned this sense of instability into a sense of anger, resolving to "kick the shit out of anybody who threatened me or my family ever again." And he learned how to dissimulate, perhaps during the period when he became the lover of the Turkish lieutenant who occupied his father's house; he learned secrecy; and he learned how to play a part. As Peter Evans puts it here: "He would be a man who would always be alone"

At the age of 23 (although he consistently lied about his age, as he lied about everything else), he emigrated to Argentina; and it was in Buenos Aires that he began to make the fortune that he carried as a burden for the rest of his life. And here he displayed that other aspect of his success: his sheer energy could have blown all the lightbulbs in Argentina. In the early part of his career, as he progressed from telephone operator to tycoon, he worked literally night and day; and from that energy sprang a sexuality that never let him rest.

That, you might say, is the good news, and certainly represents the best part of Peter Evans's book. The rest is history – a history of deals and disasters, seductions and marriages. There was the affair with Maria Callas, a struggle between Greeks that was reminiscent of the worst moments of the Peloponnesian War; the divorce from his first wife; and then the marriage to Jacqueline Kennedy, when he played the conventional role of a Greek bearing gifts. But despite the strong cast, this is not a particularly intriguing soap opera: the lives of the very rich are never very interesting; nor is the society in which they move – of playboys, "aristocratic" hustlers, young women on the marriage-go-round, and the assorted hangers-on, who are sustained by nothing but the power or the promise of money, fending off the emptiness at the heart of all their activities by manic acts of self-aggrandisement.

And the love of display was Onassis's essential quality; also – his "showmanship", as Peter Evans calls it. It is as if his social and emotional lives were merely an extension of his financial career – just as he manipulated figures and statistics, without a thought for the human and material costs involved, so he would give parties for celebrities, where only the exterior faces mattered. The one thing at which he excelled, therefore, was the making of deals; like the conjuror or magician to which he was often compared, he could keep several sets of figures in the air at the same time, confuse the opposition, and then emerge with everything in his own pocket.

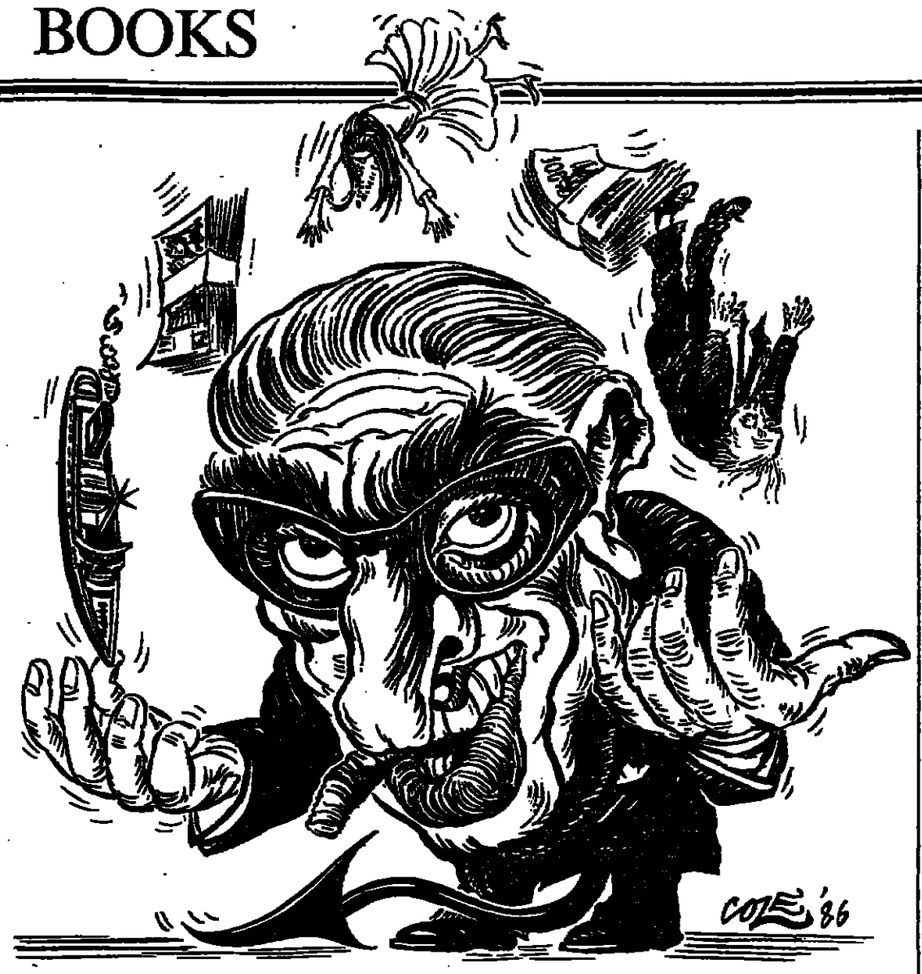
Peter Evans is interesting about the financial minutiae of such a life, but he is not so helpful on its emotional ramifications. Perhaps there is not much to be helpful about – Onassis seems merely vacuous, unformed, afflicted by the unassuageable desires that spring out of such an emptiness.

The chapter headings from various Greek classics suggest that Mr Evans is trying to place him in some great tradition (with talk, too, of Greek "loyalties" and "passions" to add a little romantic fuel to the classical conception); but the attempted transformation does not work. Onassis remains an unpleasant oaf, a combination of sadist and confidence trickster who just happened to succeed. Marx once made the point that money "can just as easily turn the real, natural and essential powers of men into abstract ideas, and so into imperfections, into torturing phantoms of the mind, as it can turn real imperfections and phantoms of the mind into actual essential powers and capacities." This might be the story of Onassis – a man who turned real things and real people into abstract instruments of his will to power, and who was then tortured by anxieties and depressions that became more real than anyone whom he compelled to share his unhappy existence.

This biography is racily written; and Peter Evans's brisk journalistic style cannot really be said to do any disservice to his subject – Onassis may not deserve any less, but he certainly does not deserve any more. There are occasions when Evans's imaginative reconstructions seem a little fanciful; but who are we to complain when Onassis himself informed his biographer, in his usual boastful way, "you've got one hell of a story, let me tell you."

The real problem with the biography is actually quite different: it is impossible to care about the history or the fate of anyone at all connected with this whole unhappy "story". In Gothic literature, the fate of the damned soul was to destroy anyone he touched. Those close to Onassis simply become uninteresting.

People grope for emblems to explain a life – any life. Hence the fact that companions noticed the crucifix and calculator placed beside Onassis's bed as he lay dying. (Although this discounts the possibility that he put them there deliberately, precisely so that observers might find some meaning in his otherwise tawdry existence.) But there may be nothing to explain. A close friend once said of him to Peter Evans: "The key to Ari is there is no key." And that is the final point: he was a man without meaning. It is instructive that, after his death, his daughter and his widow could find nothing to talk about except the financial arrangements.



Golden boldies of scifi

SCIENCE FICTION

Tom Hutchinson

THREE GO BACK
By J. Leslie Mitchell
Greenhill Books, £8.95

THE INNER HOUSE
By Walter Besant
Greenhill Books, £7.95

Nothing changes: everything changes. Science fiction is, consistently, the most idealistic of all literary genres of importance; but it was not always as acceptable as it is today, when often it is preaching to those already converted by the newest science fact. Reality prepares us for the fantasy.

Here is a chance to look back in nostalgia, with these two books from a most promising publishing venture. The intention is to reprint novels from SF's early days: trailblazers whose powers of illumination were undeservedly dimmed.

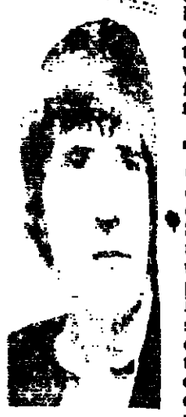
Three Go Back was written by J. Leslie Mitchell – who also wrote under the name of Lewis Grassic Gibbon – in 1932, when disillusion with a world fit for heroes had set in like rot. And the author sets up his trio of characters – ambiguous woman, pacifist man, and armaments manufacturer – with the air of a man propping up symbols to bowl over.

The airship on which they are travelling drifts through a time-slip to above a prehistoric Atlantis, and the discovery of a noble savagery that brings out the best and worst in them.

The power of the Victorian novelist Walter Besant's *The Inner House* is in putting the narrative into the mouth of a yea-sayer, a place-man, in a horridly brave and anonymous new world; he cannot understand why the discovery of emotion should cause a palace revolution. It makes for a delightfully cynical distancing.

● **The Swords of Corum**, by Michael Moorcock (*Grafton, £9.95*). Mighty Moorcock strikes again with this epic of wonders, a triptych of books concerning the quest of Prince Corum Jhaelen through all the fifteen planes of Earth.

● **The Songs of Distant Earth**, by Arthur C. Clarke (*Grafton, £9.95*). An emotional event from the master science-fictioneer: the story of the Magellan's deep-space, voyaging and the relationship between the commander and a girl on a planet where the hyperships lands. He will go on into the future, while she and their child will have been long-dead. A touch of the spaceway sobberies, but marvellously well told.



Power through famine

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THE HARVEST OF SORROW
By Robert Conquest
Hutchinson, £16.95

Quite early in his massive and devastating book Robert Conquest gives a neat reminder of Stalin's motives in forcing through the collectivization of the Soviet peasant farms. The policy should be thought of, Mr Conquest writes, "less in social terms of collective ownership and work but more in terms of it providing a method of putting it beyond the power of the peasant to withhold his product from the state." It was a means of gaining absolute control.

This is the key to understanding Stalin's rejection of all compromise. Admittedly he needed more food for his fast expanding industrial areas. The individual farms across Southern Russia and the Ukraine were generally small and primitive. A gradual merging of them, once the new factories could produce tractors and combine harvesters in adequate numbers, could have given him the food. But could he be sure of it? He regarded the peasant as both deceitful and greedy. So, after typical hesitations, he plunged into the crash course to disaster. He was soon using thousands of party activists and military and security police units.

Mr Conquest's detailed presentation of the story, region by region, is the first and greatest of his book's merits. First-hand accounts tell of the deportation of peasants, the shootings, the peasant resistance, the savage requisitions of grain by the State, the blockading of whole areas to stop food going in, and finally the spread of stark famine.

What Mr Conquest records I can confirm in part, for I was in the stricken areas in August 1932. Three million peasants, he writes, were on the move that year, searching for food. I mingled with hundreds of them as they silently lined the banks of the Volga, waiting for the already over-filled boats; and then with hundreds more as they lay inert outside stations in the North Caucasus.

The intensification of the calamity leads on to Mr Conquest's second main contribution: his assessment of the casualties. The totals – about 14.5 million peasants dead, some seven million of them directly in the famine, others in the camps or by shooting – were horrifying when first read in the extracts in *The Times*.

The third main contribution comes in the several chapters that Mr Conquest devotes to the Ukraine's special sufferings.

There remains the question: how could it happen? Part of the answer lies in the very structure of any large-scale authoritarian regime. Any excess or mistake in an order from the centre is straightaway repeated a thousand times, and thereby magnified, when it comes down to the districts, causing widespread local reactions, which in turn prompt the centre to announce a plot and impose harsher measures.

***The Harvest of Sorrow* reveals the truth about the dreadful years as fully and unflinchingly as Mr Conquest's *The Great Terror* presented it about Stalin's later crimes.**

Rum affairs in old university

FICTION

John Nicholson

DR GRUBER'S DAUGHTER
By Janice Elliott
Hodder & Stoughton, £9.95

COLOMBO HEAT
By Christopher Hudson
Macmillan, £9.95

A LONG WEEKEND WITH MARCEL PROUST
By Ronald Frame
The Bodley Head, £9.95

My, how Bookergeld has rejigged the logic of the publishing year. Only a couple of years ago, the best a reviewer could expect from early September was a parcel of reissues, translations of justly obscure Eastern Europeans, and teenage fiction. Not now. This week we have two titles that would grace anyone's short list; and a third by a young author with two literary prizes already under his belt. It is of course the purest coincidence that the Booker panel met for the first time on Tuesday.

There are a couple of questions Janice Elliott must want to put to Messrs Hodder & Stoughton. Why, if they believe *Dr Gruber's Daughter* to be her "most ingeniously original novel to date" (*vide* its dust-jacket), have they not seen fit to draw it to the attention of the aforementioned panel? Miss Elliott is one of the most accomplished literary stylists at work in this country, with an imagination second to none and an extraordinarily consistent output. Her new book is just about her best so far. What more do they want?

But not half so rum as the world of 161 Radpole Road. The setting of Miss Elliott's latest black comedy, in an ancient university town, is inhabited almost exclusively by refugees from Central Europe of whose existence the Home Office is unaware. It's a house where the past looms larger than the present, and the future hardly bears contemplating. There is a pair of young lovers to provide light relief, but for most 161 residents, life in Coronation Year Britain is not just a struggle but an unfathomable puzzle.

Take Elenora Fitch. Ilse Lamprey's only legal tenant. A beautiful blue-stocking approaching mid-life, she is increasingly obsessed with the question of whether Chaucer's prose is erotic. Her own continuing virginity is another mystery too. Recently chosen to portray Gloriana in the university's aquatic celebration of the enthronement, Elenora finds herself ripping the clothes off every able-bodied man she meets – in her fantasies. Most frequent subject of her torrid imagination is Gustavus Mowle, a fellow scholar who might answer her physical and intellectual needs, were he not already attached, albeit unsuitably.

So joyless is the Mowle union that Valerie Mowle spends most of her waking hours in intimate conversation with an imaginary "friend" – the young Princess Elizabeth. Fortunately relief for Mrs Mowle is on the way, in the shape of Detective Sergeant Rainbird, a provincial sleuth whose ambitions exceed his ability, but who stumbles on the answers to the questions that are bemusing the 161-ites.

Miss Elliott writes like an angel. Her imagination is diabolical. She should find a publisher who appreciates her.

Christopher Hudson is a less ambitious writer. But it would be a mistake to underestimate the author of *The Killing Fields*. In his new book Hudson sticks to the Far East, and demonstrates again his ability to capture the atmosphere of a country at war, by setting his story in what Churchill described as the most dangerous moment of World War Two – the Japanese attack on Colombo. Mr Hudson's contempt for the dying Empire does not prevent him from constructing a gripping fable against a background of military history.

Ronald Frame's new collection of seven short stories and a novella enhances his reputation as one of our most gifted younger writers. The title story nails Mr Frame's colours to the mast: he is a neo-Proustian, obsessed with descriptive detail and unable to leave the past behind. Objects and places fascinate him; so does social class.

Biggles with sex and Sartre

NOVEL *of the week*

Victoria Glendinning

NEWS FROM NOWHERE
By David Caute
Hamish Hamilton, £10.95

David Caute is a rapacious author. In his new novel he makes a bid to synthesize history and humour, fact and fantasy, high culture and popular fiction. It's about the career of Richard Stern, a lecturer at LSE and author of a book on Sartre. Ambitious and sardonic, he is riding high in 1968 when "the Left held all the ladders and Stern knew it", while his veteran colleague and rival is spurned as yesterday's man.

A decade later Stern will be mildly working for the BBC. *News From Nowhere*, its title on loan from the Utopian Socialist William Morris, is a political fable: the disturbing portrait of a man acting in bad faith for good historical reasons. After the revolution fails, Stern loses both his job and his wife, who is absorbed into the women's movement. He embraces a life of action as a newspaper correspondent in Rhodesia, then in the throes of becoming Zimbabwe. Here he has to cope with another jealous veteran, his editor, who spikes most of Stern's reports: "To write good copy you don't need to pretend you're Raymond Chandler."

The names and styles of Chandler, Hammett, Hemingway, and Maugham jostle with Sartre as models for Stern's pose and his creator's prose – which is maybe Stern's too, since it is he who is writing this novel, against himself. "Good God, Africa has turned him into Biggles!", exclaims one of his wife's feminist friends. It is Biggles with sex: Stern veers between his cool blonde wife and Esther, a sultry, elusive freedom-fighter. He is like his outmoded elders in wishing that "women's bodies didn't have people attached to them." The unease of 1960s man in reconciling women's autonomy with their anatomy is loud.

Stern's adventures amid the faction-fighting and betrayals of emerging Zimbabwe are frankly confusing, as is some of the writing. Erectile passages about girls' bodies are flanked by overwrought imagery: "Stern caught the fleeting hook of Tom's eye on the eye of her eye, which remained in neutral, armoured for battle." Even walk-on characters are prodigal with epigrams: "A writer blessed with sanity is simply a bank manager in drag."

This is an overstuffed but irresistible period piece, and it is Caute's "French novel": Sartre, "his oyster eyes askew", appears in person, as do other notables; and the word "intellectuals" is used casually to denote articulate radicals, as in France. The book is tailored for those with sophisticated textual tastes: Stern's best friend comments on the narrative, and complains of the way he is treated by the author. The manuscript of the novel may not even exist, having been left – in mid-sentence – on a windowledge in Beirut.

A politician lunching in the Reform Club in this book says of a le Carré novel: "I enjoyed it. Couldn't understand the plot, of course." *News from Nowhere* provokes the same pleasurable confusion. It never did le Carré any harm.

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THE TIMES DIARY

Fellow traveller

Will the obsessive over-turning of stones that has accompanied the Stalker affair never cease? First John Stalker, then his boss, James Anderton, had their use of transport facilities publicly questioned. Now news reaches me that Tony McCardell, the Labour councillor who is reportedly calling for an inquiry into Anderton, was himself the subject of an investigation into claims that he fiddled his travel expenses. Last September McCardell was dismissed from his job as a crane driver for the British Rail subsidiary, Freightliners, after the company alleged that he had put in a £12 expense claim for a rail trip to Birmingham, even though, as an NUR official, he owned a rail card entitling him to free travel. McCardell later said that he had paid the full fare and that he had been stitched up – an explanation which he may need to repeat at the Greater Manchester police authority meeting later this month when he hopes to secure his election as the authority's chairman. McCardell is currently chairman of the authority's finance committee and the city council's police monitoring committee.

Black watch

So much for the effectiveness of neighbourhood watch. Publican Gerry Diaz, who runs the thirteenth century Ye Olde Swan at Thames Ditton, Surrey, held a meeting early this week to set up a watch scheme. His neighbours, all of whom live on an island some 50 yards from the riverside pub, trooped over the connecting bridge, leaving a policeman on guard. By closing time a committee had been set up and Diaz had promised always to be on the look out for suspicious characters crossing the water. The islanders went to bed warmed by feelings of public-spirited security. Four hours later the Swan was burgled.

Export or die

After my worrying paragraph about the Council of Europe report that said ageing was demographically *contagious*, the *Wall Street Journal* reports that Japan's ministry of trade has come up with an unorthodox plan to stimulate the economy: export old people to the United States. Such "silver communities" of elderly Japanese would encourage relatives to spend yen visiting them. "We don't have any nasty purpose to exporting old people," said a ministry spokesman.

● **Liberals who remember the beaching of Jeremy Thorpe's hovercraft fear the worst for this year's party conference in Eastbourne. David Steel is planning to descend, appropriately some would say, in a hot-air balloon.**

Go for gold

To save gnomes of Zurich getting caught short outside banking hours, a Swiss bank has installed a gold-dispensing machine in the city – press a button and out shoots a 10-gram gold bar or a choice of four gold coins. Unlike cigarettes and chocolates, these vending machine goodies are not packed in throwaway wrappers: they emerge from the heavily guarded machine nestling in velvet-lined boxes.

Twilight zone

The Norwich branch of the right-wing British National Party is plying a new line: wares designed to advertise a rival scheme to the left's nuclear-free zones. "Join us now," read the stickers, "make Britain a riot-free zone." The BNP tells me ominously that after "exhaustive analysis" it has "pinpointed the cause of riots in our English townships". The last person I heard refer to "English townships" was Larry the Lamb.

Not knockout

After Ali, Cooper and Bruno, boxer Barry McGuigan this week began the long haul to TV stardom outside the ring. McGuigan's first chat show for BBC Northern Ireland, I fear, has been mauled by critics the other side of the Irish Sea. Although shored up for his first show by such gabfest naturals as actor James Ellis and flautist James Galway, McGuigan, writes the *Irish Independent*'s critic, looked nervous inside and out: "The entire show was unprofessional, unsmooth and clumsy."

The score

All is not well with the finances of the magazine of the Composers' Guild of Great Britain. Among proferred solutions, recorded in the minutes of the guild's AGM, was that of an editorial committee member: "The cost of printing might be reduced (a) by lower printing costs . . ."

Tonsil-aid

A heroic performance by Ian McKellen at the National Theatre the other day rescued his attempt to raise money for Aids charities. During his second one-man Shakespeare show of the day, his voice failed. Fortunately, in the front row sat Sir John Mills, who from his wife's handbag conjured a packet of throat lozenges. These McKellen proceeded to suck between soliloquies through the rest of the evening, thus raising £50,000 for a good cause, and saving Sir John himself from taking the stage.

PHS

Brighton's liberating breezes

Michael Vernon finds the present state of the TUC is allowing the Labour leadership room for political manoeuvre

Neil Kinnock had his triumphant half-hour at Brighton this week. The standing ovation afforded him afterwards was reminiscent of the Labour movement revivalism of the early Sixties. He is thus seen to have established his generalship over the movement – he gave no hostages to fortune in his speech – but he leads a different kind of army from 20 years ago.

It is not just that membership has dropped by more than two million since 1979, but that a trade union card no longer guarantees that the holder supports the Labour Party. The percentage supporting Labour dropped from *73 per cent in 1964 to 39 per cent* at the last election. While activists have demonstrated their traditional loyalty – as Kinnock stated, 37 unions have reaffirmed their faith through postal ballots in political funding – this in itself does not re-establish the individual worker's commitment of the Sixties.

But, paradoxically, this drop in traditional support does something else. It frees Kinnock and his political colleagues from being tied hand and foot to the demands of the unions (even if they remain the party's paymaster). The unions know it, and Kinnock demonstrated his less restrained powers by speaking beyond his immediate audience in the conference hall on Tuesday. There would be no blank cheques, he said, no "cosy, cosmetic embrace that isn't worthy of the name consensus".

It is this new reality that means the trade unions will have to listen to a Labour government on such difficult issues as incomes and industrial relations. The former, by definition, is almost beyond satisfactory resolution, but the two *wings of the Labour movement* have come some way in establishing a framework for the latter without a damaging split.

Ballots, as Norman Willis, the TUC's general secretary, reminded his colleagues, are here to stay because trade unionists are in favour of them. "Don't delude yourselves that our members, let alone the electorate, will be fobbed off about state interference in union affairs," he said. "That just won't wash."

But will the agreement contained in the TUC-Labour Party liaison committee document *People At Work: New Rights, New Responsibilities* be binding enough to work? As the transport workers' leader Ron Todd said, the agreed policy does not prescribe pre-strike ballots before any walk-out takes place.

The 1984 Trade Union Act made it a condition of legal immunity that before calling action a union must obtain the support of its members through a secret, properly conducted ballot. If it does not, employers and others, such as their customers and suppliers, may take civil *proceedings against the union or* its officials.

Under the Labour-TUC proposal, a Labour government would introduce statutory provision for inclusion in union rule books of a right for union members to have a secret ballot on decisions relating to strikes. The TUC would draw up a code of practice giving unions detailed guidance on the methods to be adopted.

Employers or their customers or suppliers would not be able to seek injunctions or damages. However, a union member could complain that the statutory balloting provisions had been breached. His complaint would be investigated by an independent tribunal headed by a legally qualified person, which would have the power to require a union to remedy the complaint. Appeal to the ordinary courts would be permitted only on a point of law.

The proposals may satisfy trade unionists' hatred of their affairs being dragged into the courts. But will they, in the end, satisfy the electorate at large, supposing a union called a strike before a ballot? The tribunal on receiving a complaint, may ultimately "require" the union to remedy its fault, but by that time the strike might well be over. Or the union might refuse to acquiesce to the tribunal's demands. What happens then?

It is questions such as these that Labour will have to answer during the general election campaign. In the semi-euphoria of an agreed compromise on industrial relations this week, it was John Edmonds of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Allied Trade Union, who produced the most telling phrase. "This motion," he told delegates, "might just rekindle the faith of our movement."

That is one thing. But in producing their package, will the Labour movement have rekindled the faith of the electorate at large that there will not be a return to the bad old days of industrial strife?

Bernard Levin: the way we live now

The basement, where bargains will always end

A very successful businessman of my acquaintance once told me that the only piece of advice ever given to him by his father (who *had started and built up the* business) was: "Remember, there are no bargains." My friend added that although that was the only counsel he had received from his father, he had never needed any other, and had based his approach to business upon the great principle enshrined in his father's words.

But you would be surprised (or not, depending on your view of human nature) how many people go through life, and often through the bankruptcy courts also, denying *that immutable truth*. The latest group to come a cropper from believing that in certain circumstances twice two, if spoken to nicely enough, will make five, are those who invested in buying what are called "franchises", in this case from a company called La Mama, which found itself in the hands of the receiver. The buyer of a franchise buys the right to trade under someone else's trade name, normally in the form of a retail outlet; the financial burden and risk are assumed by the franchise purchaser, and he takes most of the profit, if any. In this case the if took precedence over the any, and the purchasers of La Mama franchises are bleakly contemplating the loss of large sums of money.

In a most sympathetic letter to this newspaper, Mr Robert Riding, who is the editor of *Franchise World*, a magazine devoted entirely to the practice of franchising, revealed that La Mama franchises were still being bought in the very month that saw the receiver installed, though by then, as Mr Riding said, "the writing must have been clearly on the wall in the shops of the earlier franchisees".

He also offered some practical advice to those contemplating the purchase of a franchise, advice which gave me goose-pimples to think that such elementary precautions as he was recommending ("Talk to existing franchisees – chosen by you, not the franchiser", and "Those who buy in at the formative stage must realize that the risks are high", and "Never take short-cuts in assessing a franchise") should have to be urged upon people thinking of parting with their life's savings, and be frequently, when urged, ignored.

I well remember the outbreak of a wheeze nicknamed "pyramid selling": over-simplifying, it could be described as a more elaborate form of franchising, but in this case it was obvious to even the greatest financial idiot in the land (me) that it not only *wouldn't* bring the predicted and longed-for riches, but that it *couldn't*.

Most of the pyramid-constructors were crooks: it is important to

realize that most of the franchising companies, certainly including La Mama, are perfectly respectable firms, and that their business of selling franchises is entirely above board. *But there are no bargains.* In effect, franchise companies are shifting the risk inherent in any business from their own shoulders to those who buy their franchises. Should not that fact alone make a prospective purchaser realize that he is getting into water that may be too deep for him? Yes, it should; but it doesn't. And the reason it doesn't is the pathetic and ruinous belief that you *can* get something for nothing, that there *is* a crock of gold at the end of the rainbow, that if you give the stone another squeeze, just one more squeeze, it *will* drip blood.

Some years ago, there was a bearded sandwich-man who used to patrol Oxford Street with boards, fore and aft, bearing a legend which began with the striking claim, "I won £163,000 on the football pools last year." The sandwich-man was a very ragged, unkempt, heavily patched figure: without his boards, he would have been simply a tramp, and he occasioned much mirth as he went upon his errand, with its implausible announcement. Closer inspection of the message, however, revealed that it was not he who made the claim, but a man who had simply hired him to spread the word. And this man was selling his expert knowledge of how to win the pools to anyone who would stump up the fee for his regular weekly bulletin of advice.

And many did. Did *none* of them ask why, if he was such a dab hand with the Treble Chance, he should want to make a much more complicated living by selling his precious expertise to strangers? Why should he not simply win big every week, particularly since, in a *pari-mutuel* system like the pools, the more winners there are the less there is for each of them?

Christmas comes on the 25th of December, and *only* on the 25th of December. I am not going to turn strict moralist and talk about greed serving the greedy right; there are plenty of upright folk with a small nest-egg they would like to turn into a slightly bigger one, with which they could look forward to a slightly more comfortable old age. Invested wisely, the nest-egg might well steadily increase in size by a few per cent a year. What it will not do, however, merely by being invested in Consolidated South Sea Bubbles Ltd, *is to increase* overnight by 100 per cent, 200, 300, and those who allow themselves to think that it might, just this once (for the young man from Consolidated South Sea Bubbles was *so* confident, as well as charming), will end their old age with no nest egg at all, and probably not even any bubbles.

But that is not because the South Sea Bubbles man is a swindler, it is because there are no bargains. Many years ago, I came to the conclusion that I was not destined to earn any money, not so much as a bent *zloty*, except by writing words on pieces of paper, or speaking them aloud. The consequence is that I have no shares, no investments, no krugerrands, and oh my word, no franchises; even my surplus millions are accommodated in an ordinary bank, and I will not put myself to as much trouble as it would take to transfer some of them to a building society, though many experts, some of them knowing what they are talking about, insist that the building society would give me a better return.

The consequences are two; first, I must recognize that I cannot change my Rolls-Royce for a new one more than once every two or three years, or my yacht more than once every five; but second, I sleep soundly o'nights, with an innocent smile playing about my lips. And I willingly pay for the peace described in the second part of that syllogism with the grinding poverty implied by the first.

When the next wonder share gets into the headlines (whatever became of the Australian nickel-mine that turned out to be full of nothing but very rusty abandoned bicycles?), I shall not be found in the queue for it, not even if it is North Thames Gas Board Preferred, and when those who buy it at £99 later sell it, looking bewildered, at fourpence a gross, I shall keep my own counsel, knowing that what brought them to their bewilderment was that they were not content to buy at 99 in the expectation of selling at 105, but must needs buy at 99 in the eager certainty that they would soon be selling at 877 on a still rising market. I am sorry for those who bought La Mama's franchises, but I must tell them that my friend's father was a wise man for telling his son that there are no bargains, and his son was a wise man for believing him.

Where security crosses lines with justice

When the organizers of Cruisewatch set out to monitor the movement of a missile convoy from the US air base at Greenham Common, they rely heavily on their "telephone tree". A network of sympathizers is alerted, each of *whom, in turn, phones other* numbers to pass on the message. It is a crudely effective system, but when the third convoy rolled out late one night in June 1984, things started to go wrong.

According to Cruisewatch, five key links in the chain found that *their telephones had simultaneously* stopped working. Equally mystifying, the organizers claim, was that all the lines began functioning again without anyone having notified British Telecom. The implication was clear: the "tree" had been bugged and deliberately put out of action.

Since that incident, the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament has assembled a dossier containing more than 100 allegations of disruption to telephone services at times when Cruise and Polaris missiles have been on the move: "Lines blocked . . . public phone boxes disconnected . . . crossed lines and connections with police communications . . . playbacks of previous conversations."

To try to prove that campaigners were being bugged by the security authorities, a group in Sheffield put out the word, by telephone, that it would be protesting outside a US electronic surveillance centre on one particular Wednesday. It then arranged, by word of mouth, to go on an earlier date. According to those involved, the police on duty at the centre were astonished when the demonstrators arrived. "Will you be coming up again on Wednesday?" they inquired as the protest ended.

Evidence of telephone tapping *in the CND's files, and from other* sources, was substantial even before CND campaigners decided to resort to the law. And although the High Court refused, earlier this week, to accept that the phonetap of CND's vice-president, John Cox, had been illegal, the case did establish, for the first time in public, that an "intercept" – to use intelligence jargon – had been carried out.

CND officials are also claiming a significant constitutional victory with the ruling of Mr Justice Taylor that there are no grounds for the government's claim that the courts, in the interests of national security, should refrain from examining the legality of telephone tapping. To this day, the Home Office invariably refuses either to confirm or deny that any such thing has taken place. But the judge observed that to deny citizens the right to compensation for an illegal act by the government would be "a draconian and dangerous step indeed".

Although the legal skirmishing *over Cox's case seems sure to* continue until it comes before the European Court of Human Rights, all future challenges to the legality of official phone tapping will be dealt with by a tribunal set up under the 1985 Interception of Communications Act. Composed of "*five legally qualified* persons", it will have the power to see at least some of the paperwork involved in securing an intercept warrant from the Home Secretary before deciding whether it was justified.

But as CND and other critics of the act point out, the tribunal is effectively powerless to act where telephones have been tapped without a warrant having been applied for. "So unless you have positive proof of interception, and who is doing it, the tribunal can't help you much," *CND* says.

The detailed complaints submitted by members of various peace groups suggest the authorities feel free to make life as difficult as possible for them, sometimes blatantly. Di MacDonald, a Cruisewatcher from Southampton, tells of trying to telephone another contact to alert her of a convoy heading her way. She says she was followed into a public call box by a policeman "who said, as I was making the call, 'it's engaged isn't it?' When *the number connected it was* engaged. I then tried to phone my home, but the policeman placed one finger slowly on the receiver, cutting me off from my husband."

In another incident, Medelaine Haigh, a former teacher, was visited by two policemen after she wrote to her local newspaper to protest against the cancellation of an anti-nuclear gathering in her area. They told her they were investigating a mail order fraud, but Mrs Haigh's local police station denied all knowledge of the *two men and their investigation.*

After 18 months of complaining to various authorities, the Chief Constable of the West Midlands admitted that his Special Branch was responsible for these events. Like CND, Mrs Haigh is determined to take her complaint against such official surveillance to the European court in pursuit of her right "to hold opinions and to receive and impart information without interference by public authority".

Philip Jacobson

Ronald Butt

A socialist and a reactionary

I always thought Neil Kinnock was a decent sort of man and now I know. It is true that until lately his instinct was to subject reason to *rhetoric* and that he made his way to the top by striking the kind of class war attitudes which now embarrass him from the left of his party. But those who have never roused the Tribune meeting cannot hope to wear Labour's crown easily, and most people recognize Kinnock as a humorous and kindly man. Now we know more. He is also a decent man because he is a self-confessed reactionary. When it comes to the interest of those for whom he is directly protective, "enlightenment" must make way for common sense.

In an interview with the magazine *Everywoman* he was asked what impact the "so-called permissive society" had on his thinking. "There's only one answer to that," he replied. "I'm a father. And no matter how much I try to convince myself towards the course of 'enlightenment' I know damn well that, put to the test, I'm what people would call a reactionary. I know it. I try and rationalize it but it's no good. I come to the same conclusion all the time. My children stand a chance of being *hurt in the forseeable future* by what's called permissiveness."

Lest he be mistaken for Norman Tebbit, he afterwards explained that by permissiveness he had simply meant "drugs, sex exploitation and the idea that rights do not carry responsibilities." The explanation is as illuminating as the original impulsive and honest answer. To most people Kinnock's feelings are simple decency and morality. But in a socialist milieu he feels obliged to accept the caricature of "reactionary" as contrasted with "enlightenment."

Everyone understands why. Labour is a gradualist, not a revolutionary party, but the idea of an irreversible new Jerusalem of socialism is in its bloodstream – and democratic as well as revolutionary socialism has always been associated with libertarianism and breaking old moral constraints. That was true of the French and Russian revolutions, and even of some of the sectarian extremists of the English "puritan" revolution. For one thing, de-stabilizing the family helps to undermine a society, though once the new power structure is in place a new puritanism soon descends. "We have no pornography in Russia," I once heard a Russian ambassador proudly proclaim.

In a milder way the same thing *was true of the old socialist* intelligentsia in Britain; the linkage between socialism and what was oddly called free love was a standing pre-war joke. And that has left behind a hang-up in the Labour Party. The permissive society was a world-wide phenomenon, but it would have been less extreme in Britain had it not been born in a Labour parliament. It was also Labour MPs who were in the van of the fights against every attempt to curb its excesses – resisting, for instance, legislation against late abortions to protect viable babies and to curb video and cinema obscenity. They even tried to stifle as unnecessary a bill to protect children from being exploited in pornography.

In such a party, Neil Kinnock has to pay his respects to "enlightenment", even when confessing that as a father he cannot take it. Most Labour voters and trade *union members* feel exactly the same. (Decency forbids me to print some trade unionists' offstage remarks at last year's Labour conference when "gay rights" campaigners carried a motion for lowering the age of homosexual consent to 16.) But they feel the same over much else on which Kinnock cannot follow them.

On the sensible decision of the government to use visas as a safeguard against illegal immigration from the Indian sub-continent he will be alongside the glib Gerald Kaufman in calling it racialism. Never mind the impossible situation at Heathrow and the abuses by which unscrupulous agents in Bangladesh milk would-be immigrants of their savings and dispatch them here with no right of settlement. Never mind the social problems caused by more immigration than Britain could absorb, which resulted fron the bogus "progressive" equation between immigration control and racism. (Restraint would also have been necessary had equal numbers wished to come from white countries.) Never mind the wishes of the majority, including Labour voters.

On a whole range of other social attitudes, from the damaging educational fashions inflicted on schools structure and teaching by the progressive establishment, to maintaining law and the defence of the realm, public opinion is not instinctively with Labour. The Tories' failure to make inroads into unemployment and the lack of sufficient money for hospitals and schools will hand some votes to Labour. But Kinnock's party goes against the public grain on much else, including union ballots which ordinary members want but which Labour accepts only reluctantly (with some heavy qualifications) because of Tory legislation.

There are now two union worlds, the new one of Bill Jordan of AUEW and of Eric Hammond of EEPTU who reflect what their members want, and the old socialist world of the union bosses, which is basically élitist. There are also two Labour Parties. Kinnock's offers consensus and promises not to be deflected (even by the unions) from serving all the people. But there is is also the party of the old socialists and the union barons; what will they do if they again have an inflation-making Labour government over a barrel for pay? Finally there are the potential Labour voters. Kinnock's problem is that on many other matters they are just as reactionary as he is on sex exploitation and drugs.

moreover . . . Miles Kington

One takes your brunt, Colonel

Like most journalists, I get a stream of directives from government departments telling me not to print state secrets, such as the fact that nuclear waste is mostly buried beneath new motorways or that Northern Ireland is shortly to be auctioned off, and like most journalists I ignore them. But the other day I was startled to receive a circular from a Home Office department stating starkly: "The press should note that in future they are not to use the expression 'by dint of'."

Scenting a story here, I was round to the Home Office in a flash and demanding an audience with the man who had written the directive, a Mr R45/2746/1298, though reluctantly he allowed me to call him Colonel Smithers.

"A genuine colonel, are you?" I asked.

"We're all genuine colonels in Intelligence," he said. "We get the *title the day we arrive.*"

"In Intelligence, are you?" I flashed at him.

"No," he admitted. "But I have hopes. So what's this all in aid of?"

"Why can't I use the expression 'by dint of'? How is this going to help the Russians?"

"*The Russians?*" he said. "This is nothing to do with the Russians. This is to help *us*. The government is embarking on a programme to make the English language more cost-effective. You've no idea how wasteful and disorganized the language is at the moment, with *millions of pounds being spent to* maintain words that nobody wants or uses. If we could get English streamlined, we'd save billions in everything from dictionaries to computer languages."

"Can you do this by eliminating 'by dint of'?"

"It's a start," he said, "and it's a good illustration of useless language. The word 'dint' is only ever used in that one expression. I mean, you never hear people saying, 'That's a bad dint you've got there', or 'I'm having a bit of trouble with dints'. People don't even know what a dint is."

He was right. I hadn't the faintest idea.

"So 'dint' is an obsolete, one-use word. Outside of 'by dint of', nobody ever uses it, and 'by means of' is just as good. I'll be frank with you; we can't afford to keep words like 'dint' any more."

"What other words like that are there?"

"Oh, thousands. There's beck, as in 'beck and call'. There's brunt, as in 'bear the brunt'. There's poke, as in 'pig in a poke'. There's escutcheon, which only ever gets blots on it, there's ell, which is *something only taken in return for* an inch, and there's kith, which only ever goes with kin. And there's kin as well. All outmoded."

"Not poke," I said. "Poke still means a 'prod', even when it no longer means a bag."

"That's my *point!*" he cried. "Clearing up the language means we can now teach it properly to foreigners, so instead of telling them that a poke is a prod *or* something you used to keep a pig in, we now can avoid confusing them by saying straight out: a poke is a prod!" Know what a brunt is, by the way? *Or* how long an ell is?

I didn't; his case seemed watertight. "Stymie?" I suggested.

"Now you're getting the idea!" he said. "And ilk, and scotch . . ."

"Scotch?" I said, startled.

"As a verb, such as scotching a rumour. And those dreadful words which mean the opposite of what we think they mean today, as in 'without *let* or hindrance' or 'the exception that *proves* the rule'. Or crick in the neck . . ."

"You're going to get rid of cricks in the neck?"

"No, but we're going to get rid of a word which is wastefully restricted to the neck. Ever heard of a crick in the ankle? We don't think that 'crick' is pulling its weight. And I'm seriously worried about rampage."

"Tell me more, Colonel," I said, edging nervously towards the door, as the familiar look of logomania appeared on his face.

"Well, you can only go *on* a rampage. You can't have a rampage, or stage a rampage. You can't say, 'There was a rampage in Leeds last night' – you *can* only have people going *on* it . . .

The rest was lost as I quietly closed the door and crept out to spread the news. He had the look of a man who would brook no opposition. In fact, that may be the last time I shall ever be able to use the word "brook" as a verb.

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THE THATCHER GENERATION

Young people in Britain are sceptical of the power of government to improve their lives. That is the hopeful lesson of this week's series of articles in *The Times* on the attitudes of those who have attained the vote while Mrs Thatcher has been in office. They are also sceptical of their own powers to improve their lives. That is the depressing lesson.

We called this group, who make up 15 per cent of the electorate, *Thatcher's Children*. As the Prime Minister journeys to Scotland this week her mind will undoubtedly be concentrated on the disastrous electoral prospects for her party in the northern regions of the United Kingdom and what she can do to improve them. But it is also an opportunity for her — outside the confines of Downing Street — to consider responsibilities wider than her leadership of the Conservative Party.

As the most powerful and influential Prime Minister since the wartime Churchill, she has a duty to consider her impact upon the generation who have known no political leadership but hers. She must consider whether an overwhelming apathy amongst the young is an inevitable component of her political legacy. She should be asking herself what *she* can do about it. She should be worrying what others might do with it if *she* fails to live up to the challenge.

Among professional election campaigners too many mentions of the "youth vote" tend to produce cynical yawns. It is important, of course. No politician can say that young people are not important; pop concerts and rallies have to be organized, if only because the other side is doing so. But young votes do not decide elections. Young people are unreliable attenders at the polling stations. That form of apathy, at least, is nothing new.

The leaders of the political parties will all find information to interest and disturb them in this week's findings. Dr David Owen will not be happy to read that 42 per cent of our sample had no opinion about him whatsoever — a figure which reinforces the fact that the SDP leadership's experience in Government is a fast wasting asset. It has become commonplace among Tory strategists to say that the electorate has forgotten the Winter of Discontent; less commonplace to hear Alliance recognition that the Foreign Secretaryship of Dr Owen is ancient history and that the Gang of Four has gone back to China.

As for Labour, Mr Neil Kinnock is still seen as a weak leader. It would be unwise to write off the Labour Party completely as vote-winner amongst young people. But the message that the Opposition has the policies to put Britain back to work has not hit home. Michael Foot is out of sight. General Galtieri is out of mind. But Labour's 1983 credibility problem remains.

Mrs Thatcher can be proud of the youthful scepticism concerning the power of the state to provide jobs. She ought to be concerned, however, at its collateral effects. She can be proud of her reputation for strong and determined action. She ought to be worried about whether she and her successors can continue to live up to that reputation.

For the overall picture of Britain's youth that is revealed by *The Times* survey is full of blank spaces. Mrs Thatcher is only one of the painters who can be held responsible. Modern Britain appears to be a land unfitted for heroes of any kind. It was tempting for our interviewers — whose own roots and outlook were set in the sixties — to look for those who might have displaced political faith in the young public's mind. A vote for Geldof, perhaps? Some modern echo of the call that Bob Dylan should be President of the United States. But there was virtually nothing.

Does that matter? Were we looking in the right directions? A degree of humility is necessary when one generation attempts to judge another. It is easy to look grimly at the pop culture of the past ten years, for example, and to divide it between punks (who appeared to believe neither in themselves nor in anything else) and bland superstars (who floated in the traditional showbiz world-apart). It is easy to look at a popular television programme like *Spitting Image* and despair of the way that noone (from the Queen to Tina Turner) is spared from brutal parody. It is tempting to see a lack of any equivalent of sixties musical ideals, to recall that on *That Was The Week That Was*, at least some targets were protected, at least some things commanded belief.

As to whether such reflections add up to more than misplaced nostalgia, that is much harder to say. But political leaders — and would-be political leaders — should put their minds to them. Is the political apathy of so many young people towards their job prospects a passing phase, which will be eased by economic recovery? Or is it a dangerous vacuum which could be exploited by anyone who had the nerve to make a sufficiently grandiose claim or provoke a sufficiently serious emergency? Should we be looking nervously to the lessons of the thirties? Or has the material prosperity of the nation meant that no-one need ever be hungry enough for a job to fall for the authoritarian lure?

This week in *The Times* we have described a malaise. No one person is to blame for it but one person has the real power to decide what are the serious questions here and whether they need answering by action. That is the Prime Minister's task. She has created a political culture in which cost-cutting and efficiency are prized. Can she adapt it into a culture in which to take on a new workforce is as admired as to slim down an old one? She has reduced unreasonable faith in the state. Can she boost individuals' faith in themselves — and can she boost it beyond the beneficiaries of the Big Bang and into the disillusioned jobless with whom she spent yesterday in Barrow?

Her standing amongst the young electorate is higher than conventional wisdom would have us believe. She has the proven ability to provide policies and political leadership that can command excitement. She has the responsibility to to build upon the revolution in attitudes that she has engendered. The young have little faith. She owes it to them to try to answer what little faith they have.

NONE ABOVE THE LAW

A month ago in the High Court a barrister acting for the Government in the suit brought against it by the vice-president of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmanent made an extraordinary claim. It cannot be assumed he was exceeding his brief: he was enunciating official doctrine.

Pleading on behalf of the Home Office, Mr John Laws said that the courts were debarred from any inquiry into action by civil servants as soon as a government lawyer waved under a judge's nose an affidavit from a permanent secretary bearing the words "national security". A class of state officials, not just confined to operatives of the Security Service, were permanently and literally above the law.

The judge, Mr Justice Taylor, evidently thought Mr Laws was trying it on. Surely, he asked, the speciousness of the doctrine would have required the Government to forbid any court proceedings on the issue of telephone-tapping or, at least, to have insisted that they took place in camera.

Mr Laws did not blush. Not only did considerations of security preclude the High Court from trying the case but, if it persisted, then it would never find grounds for judgement. The only matter CND could contest was whether proper procedure in authorizing phone-tapping had been followed by the Home Secretary. But — according to Mr Laws — the fact that certain guidelines about the way taps were authorized had been published did not give anyone, including a judge in the High Court, the right to insist on their maintenance or continuation. Guidelines, Mr Laws said, could be changed at will.

Mr Justice Taylor this week found in the CND case for the Government. He has judged that the Home Secretary's action was taken lawfully. The content of the adjudication is, however, less important than the fact of his judgement.

For the key issue here is not the state's capacity to defend itself against internal threats or, specifically, to equip itself to listen to the telephone calls of Communists. The issue is the ability of the courts to hear and judge allegations of wrong-doing.

The passage of the Interception of Communications Act last year and its provision for a tribunal diminishes Mr Justice Taylor not one whit. The judge comes of an old school, to which the lesson was read 25 years ago by Lord Denning. It says clearly: there can in Britain be no citizens above suspicion. The courts must be open to allegations of criminal behaviour by all the state's servants.

MORE SHARES FOR MORE PEOPLE

"The idea of individual share ownership has captured the imagination of the public. It is a sea change." Mr Nigel Lawson said last year. Even as the Chancellor was speaking, the Department of Employment was asking how many companies with a £750,000-plus annual turnover operate share-ownership schemes for their employees. The answer, 15 per cent, was more than in the mid-1970s, but it is not yet a sufficient declaration by employers in favour of popular capitalism or even workforce participation.

Greater popular participation in equity is desirable. The leap during the past four years in the number of stock-holders ranks as a permanent achievement of Mrs Thatcher's administration. The *Employment Gazette* helps explain why that growth has not gone further. Many companies — a quarter of all those offering employees a stake in ownership or profits — still prefer to deal employees into their profits by means of a straight cash handout.

A total of 30 per cent of major companies involve employees in shares or profits. This is a handsome figure. But a third of them offer shares only to executives and it seems that since the tax arrangements were changed in 1984 to favour this kind of scheme, this is where much of the growth has been.

Yet the Department of Employment's survey is pregnant with optimism about the possibilities of wider share-ownership. Employers believe that equity holdings by staff *do* enhance a sense of belonging, a commitment to the enterprise. Write that sentiment on the national canvass and it justifies the extension of share-ownership as a mechanism to educate and attach people to the free enterprize system.

As the promotional bandwagons for both the Trustee Savings Banks and British Gas begin to roll, the prospect grows for reducing the figure of the 51 per cent of all shareholders who hold stock in a single company. What that proportion implies is that employee share participation has not yet inculcated a habit of buying and selling shares.

Pundits in and out of the City have criticized Mr Lawson's personal equity plans for the less-than-compelling tax incentives offered by the Treasury. The astute have done their sums and shown how there can be no balance of advantage in personal shareholding until some of the peaks elsewhere on the landscape of tax relief (for pension purchase, for house purchase) are levelled or lowered.

Above and beyond that, attitudes towards stock remain to be shifted and not just by speech-making politicians. Just as good industrial relations are as much the result of strong-minded managers as of legislation, so popular enthusiasm for the capitalist system will result as much from employers sharing the surpluses as from fiscal devices made in Westminster.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Finding a position for the SDP

From Mr Roger Liddle

Sir, Danny Finkelstein (feature, August 27) is right to draw attention to the fundamental importance of proportional representation, but wrong to believe that I and others in the SDP are "wary" of it. PR is right because it is fair. Its achievement is central to the more consistent economic and industrial policies Britain needs.

Whether it will usher in the new era of "multi-party" politics, where Danny Finkelstein appears to believe that a separate SDP can foster coalition and consensus by making itself virtually impossible to work with, is more debatable. Dutch and Israeli experience suggests it will; German that it won't. In Britain there is no psephological evidence for the view that the SDP appeals to a separate constituency from the Liberals.

Secondly, I do not favour "coalition with Labour at any cost". In Lambeth Council I voted for a minority Conservative administration because the only alternative was Ted Knight's anti-democratic left.

Where I differ fundamentally from Danny Finkelstein is in wanting a "broad church" party of the centre-left in British politics.

That is a concept that means something to me as to millions. It is why the Alliance must be defended at all costs and why members of the SDP should stop being obsessed with their own ideological purity.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER LIDDLE,
46 Cleaver Square, SE11.
August 27.

From Mr Andrew Adonis

Sir, Most SDP members reading Danny Finkelstein's feature will, I think, have been surprised to see their party carved into "pro" and "anti"-David Owen "factions", each preparing to engage in a "fight" at the party's forthcoming conference. Those of us who wish to see the Alliance remain a serious political contender know that it can ill afford either factions or fights.

But it is particularly disturbing to see that Mr Finkelstein believes the dividing line between his factions to be attitudes towards the *Labour* Party, and that his fundamental charge against the "Liddle strategy" is that it seeks "coalition with Labour at almost any cost". It is Labour that dominates his analysis; the Conservatives receive hardly a mention in either the "Liddle" or the "Owen" strategies he describes.

This is myopia of the worst order. The Alliance must not trim to fit *any* possible post-election coalition; if a coalition is necessary its form will, in all probability, be decided by the electorate itself. But the Alliance must clearly identify its main opponents in that election.

You can tell a party, like a person, by its enemies. It is the party that has — literally — taxed the poor to give to the rich, severely weakened the industrial base of our economy, begun to dismantle our welfare services and shown indifference to the four million of our fellow citizens without jobs that ought to be our principal opponents.

Mr Finkelstein believes that proportional representation ought to be the SDP's "primary aim". Yet its achievement must not be, as he suggests, an end in itself.

The Alliance parties must say loud and clear what purposes they intend to pursue when the era of the "New Politics" dawns. Platitudes about "partnership" resulting from "multi-party government" are not enough. SDP policies commit the party to reducing inequality, improving the welfare state, maintaining public spending and rooting out injustice in our society — dare I say "left-wing" objectives?

Unless these objectives are included among its "primary aims" then the party has no future. Like the Liberal Party of the 1920s it will become an essentially irrelevant feature of our party system.

Yours etc,
ANDREW ADONIS,
Nuffield College,
Oxford.
August 27

Ethical questions

From Canon David Stevens

Sir, Father Kevin Kelly's attack (article, August 30) on "Vatican sexual ethics" could seemingly land him, with Father Curran, in the same doghouse of "ineligibility to teach Catholic theology", and this would be very sad both for him and for those who admire his work.

There is, however, another and even more serious possibility — that potential converts to "Rome" might be deterred by the unedifying spectacle of a Church apparently bitterly divided over crucial moral issues — one part holding "official positions" (stigmatised as "so-called Christian") and the other teaching personal principles ("bringing comfort and healing").

This determined effort to present a dichotomy is bewildering to anybody who has experienced in action both the strong moral principles of traditional Catholic moral theology and is profoundly grateful for their firmness, and the helpful comforting way in which these principles are generally applied in particular cases, where always the person takes precedence.

The problem with the Curran trend in moral theology is not that it signals some novel personalist approach to moral problems. That has always been there in pastoral practice. Rather it is that there appears to be a confusion between principles and pastoral casework, with the latter bulking so large that there is real danger of loss of sight of the basic principles, and a resultant declension into the moral anarchy of the world.

To take Fr Kelly's most colourful example — for every homosexual rescued from the scourge of Aids by the channelling of his inter-personal love into a permanent relationship, how many young people have declined into promiscuity and all its attendant ills because they have concluded there is no authoritative guidance to be had any more, not even from the Catholic Church?

Yours etc,
DAVID STEVENS,
3 Chapel Street,
Belton in Rutland,
Leicestershire.
August 30.

NHS treatment

From Sir Richard Doll

Sir, The interpretation of health service statistics is more complex than is always appreciated and people are often misled (as Dr J. D. Manson apparently was in his letter of August 28) into thinking that an increase in the frequency of hospital attendance means a deterioration in the country's health.

If, however, people live progressively longer, so that the proportion of old people with a high risk of disability increases, and if advances in medicine enable conditions to be treated that were previously untreatable, an increase in hospital attendance may occur when the state of health actually improves.

No one with any experience of the health service can deny that in many parts of the country the service is coming under increased pressure and that the funds available to it are becoming progressively less adequate to meet the demand. Yet death rates at each age (which are generally thought to reflect the incidence of disease) are falling. At many ages, indeed, they have fallen more sharply in the last decade than at any previous time, apart from the miraculous years following the introduction of sulphonamides and antibiotics.

Between 1978-79 and 1983-84, for example, the death rate of infants fell by 25 per cent, of children aged 5-9 years by 22 per cent, of young adults aged 25-34 years by 10 per cent, of the late middle-aged, 55-64 years, by 6 per cent and of the old, aged 75-84 years, by 10 per cent.

What effect changes in living conditions may have had is difficult to assess, but health education and preventive and curative medicine are all contributing to longer and fitter life.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD DOLL,
Imperial Cancer Research Fund,
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Gibson Building,
The Radcliffe Infirmary,
Oxford.
September 1.

Looking askance

From Mr F. B. Field

Sir, Mr Simon Jenkins, Chairman of the Environmental Panel of British Rail, reports in his letter (August 25) that it is proposed to experiment with chevron-angled name boards at selected stations.

This will not be an innovation but a revival of the style of naming that was used in the early 1920s for stations on the main lines of the old Midland Railway, of happy memory.

Yours truly,
F. B. FIELD,
7 Wallace Road,
Larkhall,
Bath, Avon.

From Mrs Pamela Pick

Sir, May I refer to the habit in other countries of putting the numbers of the bus on the sides as well as the front — I like to know what I have missed!

Yours faithfully,
PAMELA PICK,
Pine Tops,
2 Conisboro Avenue,
Caversham,
Reading,
Berkshire.

Shades of racism

From the Director of the Runnymede Trust

Sir, Professor Flew (feature, August 21) acclaims as "the truth" the proposition that "highly significant differences in achievement between the non-white groups in Britain" are in the main to be explained by cultural differences rather than by "hostile discrimination" or the groups' own "genetic endowments".

This "truth" is suddenly and baldly asserted towards the end of an article whose arguments have ranged over a lot of targets, but have not been addressed to this point. One cannot, therefore, assess his evidence or reasoning on the matter.

No definition of culture, cultural difference or achievement is offered, and since these terms are understood in at least as many different ways as is "racism", it is puzzling to wonder to what question the article is supposed to be addressed.

Yours faithfully,
ANN DUMMETT, Director,
The Runnymede Trust,
178 North Gower Street, NW1.

Risk of missing the Airbus

From Sir Anthony Meyer, MP for Clwyd North West (Conservative)

Sir, It is easy to understand the Government's hesitation, reported in your issue today (August 29), in providing the very large sums of money needed as launch aid for the new generation of Airbus civil airliners.

It was equally easy to understand their hesitation in backing a European rescue operation for Westland helicopters; or in using their support for British Leyland to nudge it towards a partnership with one of the European car producers. In every case there has been clear commercial advantage in allowing the Americans or the Japanese to come in and take the load off our shoulders.

The only trouble is that, by the end, Britain will have opted out of the effort to maintain a modern industrial base in Europe; and Europe's own ability to keep its industry alive, and the jobs that go with it, will have been seriously weakened by Britain's defection.

Large civil airliners are one of the few products in which Europe can compete with the United States and where the Pacific nations are too far behind to catch up. The products of Airbus Industrie have proved their attractiveness to airlines world wide. To opt out of this programme now, however strong the short-term commercial arguments, is to throw away our last, and almost certainly our best chance of remaining a modern industrial nation.

I am etc,
ANTHONY MEYER,
House of Commons.
August 29.

Example of BAe

From Mr Tom F. Jones

Sir, As the debate about the type of ship most suited to naval warfare and peacetime tasks continues to rumble, it seems to me that there is an admirable way forward.

I have much admired the way in which British Aerospace has "put its money where its mouth is" and funded what I believe is called a technology demonstrator aircraft. It does not pretend to be anything other than a test bed for new ideas and new equipment.

Why not, then, encourage the British shipbuilding industry to get together and jointly fund a short and fat demonstration vessel that could then be built and put through its paces?

What is so clearly needed is proof that such a configuration would perform well in the same range of operational conditions as long and thin Type 22 and 23 frigates now in service. It would cost many millions; but so did the British Aerospace aircraft.

Yours sincerely,
TOM JONES,
8 Cross Park Way,
Crownhill,
Plymouth, Devon.

Totally improper

From Mr A. G. Hassall

Sir, Prior to decimalization the quarrying industry (particularly in country areas) would sometimes specify a screen to give a little (or big) inch stone (letters, August 12, 15, 20, 26, 29, 30). Only a hard won knowledge of the idiosyncracies of the particular pit or quarry would determine whether we supplied a ⅞" or 15/16" screen for a little inch and 1 1/16" or 1⅛" for a big inch aggregate.

Decimalization has robbed us of much of the romance and mystique jealously won and guarded.

Yours etc,
ANTHONY HASSALL,
59 Warrington Road,
Penketh,
Warrington, Cheshire.
August 27.

High and mighty

From Mr Barnet Litvinoff

Sir, Irving Kristol (feature, August 26) suffers from a near-universal malady of people beyond these shores: failure to understand that mysterious English sense of humour. He doesn't realise that we cannot even mouth the phrase "The Viscount Whitelaw of Penrith" except with tongue firmly in cheek. U and non-U, like its precursor, One-upmanship, started a game, not an uproar.

Yours faithfully,
BARNET LITVINOFF,
28 Hollycroft Avenue,
Hampstead, NW3.
August 26.

Not entirely

From Mr J. Enoch Powell, MP for South Down (Ulster Unionist)

Sir, You state (leading article, September 1) that Mr James Molyneaux "now has so little to say to the world that he has formally 'suspended' his relations with journalists".

Luckily on page 2 you had reported an important speech he made in my constituency on August 30.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
J. ENOCH POWELL,
House of Commons.
September 1.

Making a good start

From Mr H. A. Guy

Sir, Mr T. J. Carr (September 2) asks for a "good place that welcomes casual visitors for breakfast between 7 and 9.30 am".

On the A31 in Hampshire, near Ringwood, there is a sign that proclaims: All Day Breakfast. £1.50.

Yours faithfully,
H. A. GUY,
20 Sherborne Road,
Southampton.
September 2.

ON THIS DAY

SEPTEMBER 4 1793

In 1793 radical societies, finding their inspiration in France, proliferated. Thomas Muir, an advocate and church elder, was a co-founder of one. His farcical trial and savage sentence were but the prelude to a series of adventures. From Botany Bay he was rescued in 1796 by an American naval captain, shipwrecked, captured by Indians, and later imprisoned in Havannah, from where he was put on a Spanish frigate which was attacked by the English. Muir was badly wounded and was held prisoner by the Spanish even though he had fought for them. The French obtained his release, but his wounds proved incurable and he died in September, 1798.

Edinburgh, August 30

TRIAL OF MR MUIR FOR SEDITION, IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY.

Monday came on the trial of Mr. *Thomas Muir*, the younger, of Hunterhill, for seditious practices.

The prisoner, in the indictment, was accused of wickedly and feloniously exciting, in November last, at different meetings at Kirkintilloch, Campsie, &c. denominated Societies for Reform, by means of *seditious speeches* and *harangues*, a spirit of disloyalty and disaffection to the King and the established Government — of *advising* and *exhorting* persons to purchase and peruse seditious and wicked publications and writings (viz. *Paine's Works, a Declaration of Rights, the Patriot*, &c.) calculated to produce a spirit of disloyalty and disaffection to the King and Government — of distributing or circulating a seditious writing or publication — of producing and reading aloud, in a public meeting or convocation of persons, a seditious and inflammatory writing ...

To these charges Mr. Muir pleaded Not Guilty — He said he had nothing to observe on the relevancy; he would trust himself entirely to the Jury. He had given in, when last before the Court, written defences; in which he declared the libel to be false, and that he would prove that he had all along supported the Constitution. Being asked if he had any other defence, he said he rested upon his written defence; he had uniformly advised the people to pursue legal and constitutional measures; and that he had also advised them to read all books written upon the great national question of Reform.

The Jury being named, Mr. Muir objected to every one of them; he said that as the gentlemen, however respectable, were all subscribers to the Goldsmiths Hall Association, and had offered a reward for discovering those who had circulated what they deemed seditious writings, they had already prejudged him, and were therefore improper persons to pass upon his assize ...

The *Lord Advocate* addressed the Jury on the part of the Crown and, among other observations, said that if in the range of his official duty, in bringing persons to that bar accused of similar offences, there had been any one whose actions pointed him out as the most striking object for prosecution, or whose conduct was more peculiarly marked by the spirit of diabolical mischief — this was the man! — Under the pretence of Reform, he had been at particular pains to instill into the minds of the uninformed and unwary, doctrines of the most pernicious tendency, destructive of all order, and calculated to subvert and overturn the Constitution; and by an insidious comparison between France and this country, had left little room to doubt that his wish and motive was to introduce the same anarchy and confusion here, which, in that infatuated nation, had occasioned such bloodshed and ravage ...

Mr *Muir* (who managed his own defence, unsupported by any Counsel) then rose. — He said that amidst the inquisitorial keeness of his adversaries, aided as they had been by domestic spies, it was a consolation to him that his moral character had been a friend to Reform; and to this charge, had it been so laid, he would have pleaded guilty at once, and saved the Court from the lassitude arising from so tedious a trial.

As to the affairs of France, of which so much had been said, with respect to some advantages they possessed by their constitution and their mode of taxation, he had only stated facts, which he trusted could not be considered seditious ...

The Court rose about two o'clock in the morning, and at twelve on Saturday the Jury returned a verdict of finding the prisoner *Guilty*.

The Court then proceeded to pronounce sentence, and, after a short deliberation, ordained him to be transported beyond seas to such place as his Majesty, with the advice of his Privy Council shall judge proper, for the space of *Fourteen Years!...*

One in the eye?

From Dr John Cooke

Sir, Travellers with a sense of history may easily imagine themselves transported back a century when passing through the wilder parts of the American West. Even so, whilst wandering in the Nevada desert recently, I was somewhat startled to catch sight of a tattered newspaper blowing in the wind, bearing the prominent headline (above the report of a golf tournament) "Norman takes the British Crown".

Yours sincerely,
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August 18.

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BALMORAL CASTLE

September 3: The Queen has appointed Miss Angela Bowlby a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

At Her Majesty's Command the Insignia were delivered to Miss Bowlby this evening.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

September 3: The Duke of Kent, Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, today visited the 6th Battalion in Salisbury.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captain Michael Campbell-Lamerton.

Princess Alexandra will open the Home Reach Project at Red Cross House, Inverness, on September 8.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mrs Beryl Markham will be held at St Clement Danes today at noon.

Memorial service

Mr M.M. Sacher

The Ambassador of Israel attended a memorial service for Mr Michael Sacher held on Tuesday at the West London Synagogue. Rabbi Hugo Gryn officiated. Lord Sieff of Brimpton, honorary president, Marks and Spencer, Mr Abba Eban, chairman, Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Israeli Parliament, and Mr Martin Gilbert, son-in-law, gave addresses. Among others present were:

Mrs Sacher (widow), Mr and Mrs John Sacher and Mr and Mrs Jeremy Sacher (sons and daughters-in-law), Mr M H Sacher (son), Mrs Martin Gilbert (daughter), Viscount Dunluce (son-in-law), Lady Sieff of Brimpton, the Hon Michael and Mrs Sieff, the Hon Mrs Edward Sieff, Mr and Mrs H Sacher.

Lord Rayner (chairman, Marks and Spencer) with Mr Brian Howard (vice-chairman) and Mrs Howard and Mr Nigel Colne and Mr Albert Frost (directors).

Lord and Lady Rayne, Lady Merrivale, the Hon David Astor, the Hon Greville Janner, MP, and Mrs Janner, the Hon L H I Cohen (Jewish Colonization Association), Lady Joseph, Sir Sigmund Sternberg, Sir David Wolfson, Lady Sieff, Mrs Abba Eban, Major-General Desmond Gordon, Mr and Mrs Andrew Graham, Mr Gerald Bisch (representing the Director and Staff of the National Gallery), Mr Richard Dimbl (Anglo-Israel Archaeological Society), Mr and Mrs A Kramer (Zionist Federation Educational Trust), Mr Stephen Goldman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Mr Martin Savitt (Zionist Federation of Great Britain), Dr Shlomo Tadmore (Jewish Agency), Mr Alan Millett (Joint Israel Appeal United Kingdom), Mr Martin Mendoza (Weizmann Institute also representing British Israel Chamber of Commerce), Mr Michael Fidler (Conservative Friends of Israel), Mr Conrad Bailey (Marcello Textiles also representing the President of J Sainsbury), Mr George Menzies (Klaus Stellmann and Company), Mrs Deirdre Burns (WIB Publications), Mr A H Woolf (Scott, Goff, Layton and Company), Mr Gerald Corcoran (president, Alex Reid and Lefevre), Mr A Hervard (Textile Institute).

Professor and Mrs Anthony Mellows, Mrs M Mocatta, Mr and Mrs Anthony Prendergast, Mr Ellis Birk, Professor Albert Neuberger, Mrs Ann Marks, Mrs A Kalian, Dr and Mrs P E Thompson Hancock, Mr and Mrs Peter Haiban, Dr and Mrs John Slome and Dr F G Taylor.

Birthdays today

Miss Joan Aiken, 62; Sir Hubert Bennett, 77; Sir John Charnley, 64; Lord Dormer, 72; Dame Margaret Drummond, 69; Mr Henry Ford, II, 69; Mr Denis Howell, MP, 63; Sir Nicholas Jackson, 52; Mr H. J. Joel, 92; Mr Bill Kenwright, 41; Mr Dinsdale Landen, 54; Air Chief Marshal Sir David Lee, 74; Mr Justice Mars-Jones, 71; Mrs I. B. Robertson, 53; Mr Tom Watson, 37.

Luncheon

HM Government

Viscount Whitelaw, CH, Lord President of the Council and Deputy Prime Minister, was host at a luncheon held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of Mr Goh Chok Tong, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence for Singapore.

Dinners

Institute of Taxation

Mr Robin Ivison, President of the Institute of Taxation, was host at a dinner held by the council at the Royal Air Force Club last night in honour of Mr John Martin.

Society of British Aerospace Companies

The President of the Society of British Aerospace Companies, Mr R.H. Robins, Rolls-Royce plc, was host at the Farnborough International Air Show Flying Display dinner held last night at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. The guest of honour was the Hon George Younger, MP, Secretary of State for Defence. The Vice-President of the Society, Mr T. Mayer, Thorn-EMI Technology Group, was among those present.

Forthcoming marriages

Lord Noel-Buxton and Mrs A. Granger
The engagement is announced between Martin Noel-Buxton and Abigail Granger.

Mr A.E. French and Miss C.M. Towneley
The engagement is announced between Arthur Edmund, younger son of the late the Hon Bertram and Mrs French, and Charlotte Mary, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Simon Towneley.

Mr H.J. Burnett and Miss H.J. Romer
The engagement is announced between Jay, son of Mr and Mrs H. Burnett, of Philadelphia, United States, and Jane, daughter of Mr Ian Romer, of Hawkley, Hampshire, and the Hon Mrs James Tennant, of 25 St Leonards' Terrace, SW3.

Mr N.J.F. Andrews and Miss V.C. Pearce
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs P.R.S. Andrews, of Whitchurch Hill, Oxfordshire, and Verity, second daughter of Mrs I.R. Pearce and the late Mr G.A. Pearce, of Southwater, West Sussex.

Mr J.M. Cutler and Miss F.C. Gould
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs R.C. Cutler, of Marbella, Spain, and Frances Christine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Gould, of Lymington, Hampshire.

Captain K.J. Durward and Miss R.C. Baker
The engagement is announced between Keith James, elder son of Mr and Mrs R.A. Durward, of Monymusk, Aberdeenshire, and Rosemary Courtenay, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H. Baker, of Cobham, Surrey.

Mr A.J. Erskine and Miss F.S.A. Lovett-Turner
The engagement is announced between Alistair, youngest son of Mr D.A.J. Erskine, of Guernsey, Channel Islands, and Mrs M.E. Erskine, of Winchester, Hampshire, and Fiona, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Lovett-Turner, of Windlesham, Surrey.

Mr M.D. Farmer and Miss C.E. Orde
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs David Farmer, of Horsham, Sussex, and Charlotte, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Martin Orde, of South Queensferry, West Lothian.

Mr J.D.M. Fisher and Miss C.M.C. Upton
The engagement is announced between John Dominic Mortimer Fisher, 15th/19th Kings Royal Hussars, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Fisher, of Beaumont House, Beaumont-cum-Moze, Essex, and Christine Marie-Claire, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Upton, of 1 Durrington Park Road, Wimbledon.

Mr P.M. Green and Miss D.M. Rohan
The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mrs E. Green and the late Mr E. Green, of Cambridge, and D'Arcy, daughter of Mr R. Rohan and the late Mrs A. Rohan, of Westchester, New York.

Mr J.W. Mathieson and Miss R.B. Reeve
The engagement is announced between John William, younger son of James and Leonore Mathieson, of Cairn Flats, Clinton, South Otago, New Zealand, and Rebecca Brianne, younger daughter of Robin and Brianne Reeve, of The Old Rectory, Coombes, Lancing, Sussex. The marriage will take place at Coombes Church on September 13.

Mr C.C. Lloyd and Miss S.L. Matthews
The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr Robin Lloyd, of Wiltshire, and Mrs Annette Lloyd, of Windsor, and Susanna, daughter of Mr Peter Matthews, of Bath, and Mrs Pauline Matthews, of London SW6.

Mr P.A. Norrie and Miss L.J. Clark
The engagement is announced between Peter, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.L. Norrie, of Kingswood, Surrey, and Linda Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.A. Clark, of Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M. Ryan and Miss S. Gilbart-Smith
The engagement is announced between Martin, son of Mr and Mrs P.L. Ryan, of Kenley, Surrey, and Sara, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.B. Gilbart-Smith, of East Horsley, Surrey.

Mr J.H. Spence and Miss M.K.M. Scheutz
The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs J.M. Spence, of Frensham, Surrey, and My, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.I. Scheutz, of Stockholm, Sweden.

Mr H.J. Thomas and Miss F.J. Wilson
The engagement is announced between Howard, younger son of Mr and Mrs David Thomas, of Welham Green, Hertfordshire, and Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Wilson, of Taunton, Somerset.

Mr J.M. Wyatt and Miss D.S. Day
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Martin, only son of the late Mr James Wyatt and of Mrs Margaret Wyatt, of Combe Down, Bath, and Diana Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Dennis Day, of Thickets, Oxshott, Surrey.

University news

Oxford Elections

ST EDMUND HALL
British Petroleum Junior Research Fellowship: Stephen Peter Hesselbo (BSc Aberdeen).

NUFFIELD COLLEGE
Visiting fellowships: Mr Kenneth Baker, MP, Secretary of State for Education and Science; Mr J W Edmonds, General Secretary of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers and Applied Trades Union.
Faculty Fellowship: Dr A M Vaughan (BA, PhD Cambridge), Rhodes lecturer-elect in Commonwealth Studies.
Gwilym Gibbon Prize Research Fellowship: Wing Commander D J Powell (BA Open University), MBIM RAF.

Latest wills

Sir Ronald **Gould**, of Goring-by-Sea, West Sussex, formerly general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, left estate valued at £208,388 net.

Major Arthur Evelyn **Hardy**, of Saltwood, Kent, breeder of prizewinning rhododendrons, left estate valued at £1,272,968 net.

Science report

Social skills 'would help the disfigured'

By Peter Brock

Many disfigured people who consult plastic surgeons in the hope of having their lives transformed have no need of surgery, judging from the results of psychological experiments carried out by Dr Nichola Rumsey. Instead, training in social skills could return them to a normal, unflinching life.

In order to find a way into the thinking of the disfigured, Dr Rumsey, a social psychologist from Didmarton, Gloucestershire, interviewed patients attending London hospitals in search of plastic surgery.

They talked of embarrassment, of being stared at and, above all, of being rejected. Some believed that cosmetic surgery would remove their disfigurements which ranged from old accident scars to port wine stains.

Then, with the aid of a make-up artist, she went on to the streets; half the time she was disfigured with either accident scars or port wine stains while for the rest she was her usual non-disfigured self. Dotted around were fellow psychologists who, from behind their newspapers, ganged the distance given by 800 passers-by to Dr Rumsey.

It seemed that the patients were right. People gave the disfigured Dr Rumsey a wider berth.

But her next step was to sharpen the focus on non-verbal behaviour which was achieved by studies of helping behaviour.

These included an experiment in which letters of *application, apparently written* by a graduate student, were left in telephone boxes around London. To each was attached a stamped and addressed envelope and a photograph of a facially disfigured or non-disfigured young person. It was clear that the letter needed to be posted urgently.

There was a high rate of return as sympathetic telephone users did someone a good turn and posted the letters. There was no difference in the rate of return between the two types of photograph. The results of the other experiments were similar: the looks of a person do not affect the response or the instinctive kindness of most people.

This led Dr Rumsey to investigate the social behaviour of the disfigured themselves.

An actor, disfigured by a make-up artist, or non-disfigured, carried out a series of interviews. His approach varied from fluency, plenty of gestures and eye contact to little eye contact, static hands and a monotonous voice (the latter being the withdrawn behaviour noted by Dr Rumsey among many would-be plastic surgery patients, frightened of negative reactions from others).

The impressions formed of him were significantly more influenced by his social skills than by the disfigurements. Which apparently leaves the onus for moving back into the social mainstream on the disfigured. "*It is hard for a lot of them to accept that*", Dr Rumsey said.

She now wants to see more research on how best to equip the disfigured with social skills as well as the way in which social pressures impinge upon their thinking. Television advertising of beauty aids and magazine articles are examples.

Source: *Human Learning* (in press).

Marriages

Mr S.P.G. Hughes and Miss P. Pope
The marriage took place on June 28, in Scarsdale, New York, of Mr Simon Hughes son of Mr and Mrs G.E. Hughes, of Clwyd, and Miss Patricia Pope, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.J. Pope, of Scarsdale, New York.

Mr C.P.A. Norman and Miss S.M. Caro
The marriage took place on Saturday, August 30, at St Stephens Church, Clapham Park, of Mr Philip Norman and Miss Susan Caro. The Rev D. Stuart-Smith officiated.

Mr W.S.P. Trower and Miss M.L. Chastel de Boinville
The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mary's Church, Walkern, between Mr William Trower, son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Trower, of Stanstead Bury, Ware, Hertfordshire, and Miss Mary Chastel de Boinville, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerard Chastel de Boinville, of Walkern Hall, Stevenage, Hertfordshire. The Rev William Pryor officiated, assisted by the Rev John McDermott and the Rev Ronald Stephens.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Julia and Selwyn Curtis, Mr Jonathan Trower was best man.

A reception was held at Walkern Hall.

Service dinner

The Royal Hampshire Regiment
The Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire was present at a dinner given by General Sir David Fraser, Colonel of the Regiment, and officers of The Royal Hampshire Regiment held at Regimental HQ, Serle's House, Winchester, yesterday.

Reception

English-Speaking Union
Mr Robert C. Cumming, Chairman of the English-Speaking Union in Scotland, and Directors of John Walker and Sons were hosts at a reception held at Hopetoun House, South Queensferry, Edinburgh, last night on the occasion of the World Members' Conference of the English-Speaking Union. The guests included:

Mr Anthony Westmedge, Mr David Adam and Mr Stephen Campbell (directors, John Walker and Sons), Mrs R.C. Cummins, Mr J. Sinclair Armstrong (president, English-Speaking Union of the United States) and Mrs J. Sinclair Armstrong, Sir Donald Tebbit (chairman, English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth) and Lady Tebbit, Sir Monty and Lady Finniston, Convener James Cook, Mr Anthony Wheeler (president, Royal Scottish Academy) and Mrs Wheeler, Mr Tam Dalyell, MP, and Mrs Dalyell, The Earl of Hopetoun, Sir James Munn (chairman, Scottish Manpower Services Commission) and Lady Munn.

Supper

Raggruppamento Selenia Elsag
On the occasion of its participation in Farnborough 86, the Raggruppamento Selenia Elsag, the Italian large-systems electronics group, arranged a recital of chamber music in Middle Temple Hall last night. I Solisti Veneti performed 'The Four Seasons' by Vivaldi, and afterwards the guests were entertained at supper.

Dame Anna Neagle

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Dame Anna Neagle, followed by a musical tribute, will be held in Westminster Abbey at 11.30 am on Monday, October 20, 1986. An orchestra will play from 11.15 am. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickets in writing to: The Receiver General, Room 15, 20 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, London, SW1P 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, by Monday, October 6. Tickets will be posted on Monday, October 13. All are welcome to attend.

OBITUARY

LORD MAYBRAY-KING

First Labour Speaker of the Commons

Lord Maybray-King, PC, a Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords since 1971, died yesterday at the age of 85. As Sir Horace King, he was Speaker of the House of Commons from 1965 to 1970, the first in history to be chosen from the Labour ranks.

He had represented the Itchen Division of Southampton from 1955 to 1970 and the Test Division for five years before that.

King's success as Speaker of the House of Commons rested largely on his ability to balance the claims of tradition and reform at a time when Parliament's conduct of its affairs had come under lively questioning.

Change for its own sake made no appeal to a man so deeply versed in history and procedure and so sensitive to the appeal of ancient usage. The test he applied to any proposal to jettison a custom hallowed by time was whether or not it served the cause of efficiency. A reform which he had no hesitation in helping to effect was a quickening of the momentum of Question Hour.

His capacity for firmness with Ministers, as with backbenchers, owed much not only to his years of experience on the Chairman's Panel but to his possession of all the qualities of the best type of headmaster. His fatherly tolerance did not extend to standing any nonsense.

He was one of the best raconteurs in the House, a virtuoso on the piano and piano accordion, whose range as a composer embraced not only lively ballads but at least one charming Christmas carol, "Is the Little King Sleeping?".

Entertaining children was one of his hobbies. There could be little room for pomposity in the make-up of a Speaker who within a couple of months of attaining the position could be found leading a party of schoolchildren in rollicking songs or organizing a treasure-hunt along the corridors of the Palace of Westminster.

He was born Horace Maybray King on May 25, 1901, the son of John William King of Newcastle upon Tyne. He was educated at Norton Council School, Stockton Secondary School, and King's College London. He graduated with first class honours in 1922 and took his PhD in 1940.

He was head of the English department at Taunton's School, Southampton, from 1937 to 1947 and headmaster of Regent's Park Secondary School in the same city until 1950, the year in which he entered Parliament as Labour member for the Test division. He had unsuccessfully contested New Forest and Christchurch in 1945, and was for many years leader of the Labour group on Hampshire County Council, and an alderman.

He quickly established himself in the Commons as a thoughtful and persuasive advocate of Labour policy on education, and as a man of cultivated literary tastes. Within four years, he was appointed to the Speaker's Panel of Chairmen of Committees and steadily won golden opinions for the skill, impartiality and good humour with which he carried out his duties.

It was no surprise when, in November, 1964, he was elected chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker. Seven months later he was sworn of the Privy Council.

Little did anyone guess that, in a few months, death would remove the Speaker, Sir Harry Hylton-Foster, and that on Horace King would soon fall the burden of guiding a House in which the tide towards reform was running strongly. His election that October to the Speakership was unanimous; it was a sign of the times that the procedure was telescoped into a fraction of the customary time.

Since his election to the Chair, he had been trying to implement recommendations from the Procedure Committee for tightening up Question Hour. His methods did not lack the headmasterly touch. Long supplementaries and ministerial answers brought prompt admonitions; even the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition were told to keep them shorter. The result of this campaign was that King was able to report that in the first month of the session a third more questions had been orally answered than the average for the first month of the previous ten sessions.

But King never gave an impression of bustling. His rulings were invariably delivered with deliberation, the *fruit of careful thought. If he* felt he had misjudged a member, his apology was prompt

In April, 1966, his re-election as Speaker was automatic, and when the House rose for the Whitsun Recess he went on a visit to the United States. While he was there, his wife, Victoria, whom he had married in 1924, died suddenly in Southampton.

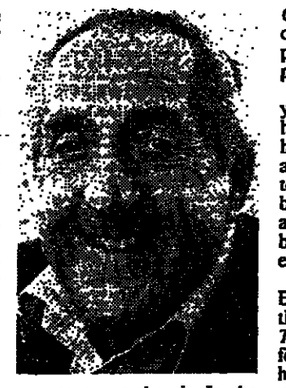
He announced his retirement in December, 1970, and in 1971 was made a life peer, taking the title of Lord Maybray-King. In that year, too, he was made a Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords, a position whose duties he tended to find onerous as the years went by, and he found it increasingly difficult to attend the House.

He was a devoted honorary treasurer of Help the Aged from 1972, president of the Spina Bifida Association, and sat on the BBC Complaints Commission from 1971 to 1974. He was a Deputy Lieutenant for Hampshire, and the recipient of several honorary degrees.

He published or edited several books on subjects that ranged from Homer and Macaulay to Hansard and the duties of the Speaker.

In 1967, he married, second, Una Porter. She died in 1978, and he married, third, in 1981, Mrs Ivy Duncan Forster. This marriage was dissolved last year, and he married, fourth, in March this year, Sheila, a former family friend. There was a daughter of the first marriage.

TED MOULT



Ted Moult, a Derbyshire farmer who became a familiar character on radio and television, through quiz shows, television advertising and, latterly, as a minor character in BBC Radio 4's *The Archers*, was found dead from a shotgun wound yesterday. He was 60.

To quiz programmes, which provided him with his introduction to radio broadcasting, he brought a shrewd commonsense which was, on cursory acquaintance, belied by the loamy, even slightly gormless, exterior he presented to the public. Moult was a completely natural performer who translated effortlessly from the mire of the farmyard, to the sanitized ethos of the broadcasting studio.

Edward Moult was born in Derby on February 11, 1926, and grew up into a farming community, working on the land from the age of 15. When he was 22, he became a tenant farmer at Sinfin near Derby, later moving to Scaddows Farm near the Derbyshire village of Ticknall, where he was to spend the rest of his life, and from where his surprising entrée into radio was to be launched.

He liked to recall that his impetus towards broadcasting came from a conviction that he could perform better than any of the panellists on BBC radio's *Brains Trust*, rightly considered to be one of the most stimulating programmes ever to go on the air. In the event, in response to his writing to them, the BBC invited him to participate in its *Brain of Britain* quiz, which he won in 1959.

This led to his participating, as presenter and panellist, in many radio favourites, such as *Treble Chance*, *Housewives' Choice*, *Woman's Hour* and *Any Questions?*. He was also familiar to television audiences through his appearances on *What's My Line?*, *Ask Me Another*, and *The Kenny Everett Show*.

He appeared in one feature film, *Bullshot*, and wrote a book, the autobiographical *Down to Earth*. His career as a media personality led to some acting; he appeared, in a guest role, in BBC TV's James Herriott series, *All Creatures Great and Small*, and developed an endearing affection for pantomime in which he played each Christmas.

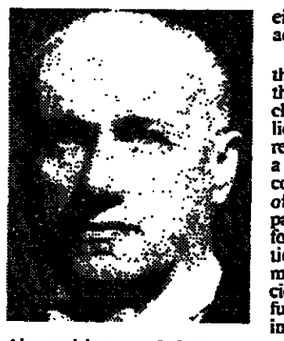
Though he had, for some years past, greatly scaled down his radio and television work, he recently became familiar again through his advocacy on television of the merits of a brand of double glazing, to the advertising of which he brought his persuasively earthen qualities.

In 1982, on the death of Edgar Harrison, then playing the retired and ageing Dan in *The Archers*, Moult applied for the job. To his amusement, he was turned down on the grounds that he sounded far too youthful and energetic to play the 85-year-old head of Ambridge's chief dynasty. However, his performance at audition delighted the saga's producers so much that a minor character role, that of Bill Insley, a retired gentleman farmer, was specially created for him.

To the broadcasting studio Moult brought the fresh gusts of his native Derbyshire uplands, and on the air he succeeded in remaining the professional farmer he was. He always appeared to be wyrly detached about his fame, and was known in his village as a kindly man, jovial and generous with gifts of produce for his neighbours.

He leaves his widow, Marie, three sons and three daughters.

SEÑOR JORGE ALESSANDRI



Señor Jorge Alessandri Rodríguez, president of Chile from 1958 to 1964, died in Santiago on August 31. He was 90.

He was born in 1896, the elder son of a famous and controversial father, Arturo Alessandri Palma, president of the republic from 1920 to 1925 and, again, from 1932 to 1938. He was trained as an engineer, and throughout his life took a particular interest in public works.

With his antecedents, however, he could not turn his back on politics. He first entered the Chilean Congress in 1936 as Deputy for Santiago, at the same time pursuing an active business career as a director of a number of paper factories, sugar refineries, and banks.

He first entered government in 1948 as Minister of Finance. During his two years in the post he succeeded in improving the country's financial and economic situation, removing the budget deficit and obtaining a surplus. He also renewed payment on Chile's external debt, which had been suspended.

In 1957, he was elected Senator for Santiago, during the presidency of Carlos Ibáñez del Campo, his father's inveterate political opponent.

In the latter year, Jorge Alessandri succeeded Ibáñez as president, defeating in the elections four other candidates, two of whom - Eduardo Frei and Salvador Allende - were to succeed him.

Alessandri was the country's first right-wing president in 20 years. But it was a narrow victory. In a record turnout, his three opponents - all left wing - polled more votes between them, and Allende came a close second.

He came to power at a time when social and economic pressures were mounting rapidly, and when the rising cost of living was spreading deep discontent. He promised strong national government, which would not intrude on private enterprise, but which would encourage greater foreign investment and gradually adjust social inequalities.

Practicality, and firmness to the point of inflexibility, were the keynotes of Alessandri's character. Though a firm believer in free enterprise, he recognised the need for at least a limited attack on the country's antiquated system of land tenure, and in 1962 he passed the first Agrarian Reform Law for land redistribution. Though it was a modest measure, it established agencies which were to play a fundamental part in re-shaping the Chilean countryside.

He also reorganized the tax system, and encouraged some diversification of industry. But the lack of a firm majority in congress obliged him to rely on shifting alliances, resulting in indecisive government. Nevertheless, his pesonal popularity remained high, since to many Chileans of all classes he represented traditional virtues of austerity in private life and rectitude in public.

Indeed, when he appeared on newsreels in cinemas in Santiago, the audience applauded spontaneously. That respect was evident in 1970 when, in the presidential election which Allende won, Alessandri, at the age of 74, ran him a close race, losing by less than 40,000 votes in an electorate of 3½ million.

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Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's
St Matthew 22 21

BIRTHS

BAKER - On August 26th, to Valerie (nee Tomsi and Julian, a daughter, Catherine Anne Rosemary, a sister for Alexander

BELL - On August 30th, to Patricia (nee Rice) and Dr Richard Bell of Harpenden, a son, Andrew Richard, brother for Helena.

CHARLTON - On 29th August at Hexham Maternity Unit, to Jean Lynn and David, a son, Stephen Geoffrey

CHUDLEY - Alexandra Lily, born 29th August, Michelle (nee Jordon) and Tim of Stable Cottage, Grooms Lane, Creaton, Northampton, a beautiful sister for Matthew.

COLLYEAR - On August 25th, at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, to Laura (nee Verden) and John, a son, Jonathan.

CUSS - In Heidelberg on 31st August, to Caroline (nee Mendham) and David, a daughter, Sophie Elisabeth.

GREENWOOD - On August 29th to Roger and Lesley (nee Lambourn), a daughter, Emma Catherine Lemin

HANSON - On September 2nd, at the Airedale Hospital, West Yorkshire to Claudia (nee Mackintosh) and Paul, a daughter, Chloe Scarlet.

HARRISON - On 30th August, in Canada, to Alison (nee Abrami) and Michael, a son, Adam Michael James

HARRISON - On August 30th at John Radcliffe Hospital, Headington, Oxford, to Diana (nee Green) and John, a son

ISAAC - On August 30th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Jane (nee Shore) and Philip, a daughter, Phoebe Elizabeth

LUBBOCK - On September 2nd at St Thomas' Hospital, to Miranda (nee McNeile) and James, a daughter, Sophie Caroline, a sister for Richard.

MARRACHE - On September 3rd, at the Lindo Wing, to Thesano (nee Cole) and Abraham, a daughter, Victoria Lucia

McMULLEN - On September 1st, in St Alban's, to Shelley (nee Chantler) and Alan, a daughter Susanna Rosemary, a sister for Ben, Sophie, Emily and Thomas

NICHOLS - On 28th July, to Linda (nee Ellerton) and Peter, a son, Oscar Peter Leo, at the Bristol Maternity Hospital.

PHILLIPS - On September 2nd, at Epsom District Hospital, to Sue (nee Hunt) and Andrew, a son, Edward Atticus John. Grateful thanks to all involved at EDH

RELPH - On August 23rd at the City Maternity Hospital, Carlisle, to Victoria (nee Storey) and Richard, a son, Gregory William Elliot.

STOOP - On August 30th, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Julia (nee Crompton) and Michael, a son, Piers William, a brother for Ben.

TRELIVING - On September 3rd, at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, London, to Elizabeth and Jonathan, a daughter, Stefanie Lara Francesca.

WILSON - On September 2nd, to Cheryl (nee Pheney) and Nigel, a son, Alexander Paul.

MARRIAGES

CARLILL : CLINTON - On August 15th, 1986, at St Mungo's R.C. Church, Alloa, Cerl, only son of Mr and Mrs Stephen D Carlill of Fulham, London and Anne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Joseph Clinton of Sauchie, Alloa.

MILLAR : JACKSON - On 30th August, 1986, at the parish church of St Paul, Ealing, John Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs John Millar of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Georgina Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs D H Jackson of Minions, Cornwall.

DEATHS

ADDIS, On 2nd September, after a short illness peacefully in London, Robina Scott O.B.E., of Woodside, Frant, Sussex. Family funeral at Frant. Memorial Service in London later.

ALEXANDER - On August 31st, peacefully at home, Wilhelmina (Mina) aged 79 years, of Faygate, daughter of the late Sir Claud Alexander, Bart. of Ballochmyle. Funeral Service at St Saviour's Church, Colgate, on Tuesday, September 9th, at 11.30am. Family flowers only please, but donations may be sent to The British Hackney Horse Society, 34 Stockton, Warminster, Wilts.

BIRD, Veronica - On 30th August after a short illness. Beloved wife of Michael, mother of Nicholas and Alexis. Funeral private. Memorial Service to be announced. No flowers. Donations if desired to Princess Alice Hospice, Westend Lane, Esher.

BOULTBEE BROOKS - On 31st August, 1986, Dorothy Boultbee Brooks, of Dickins Farm (formerly of Blackwell Court, Bromsgrove), at home, in her 84th year. Very dearly loved sister of Margot. Family funeral at St Bartholomew's Church, Tardebigge, on Friday, 5th September. Memorial Service on Thursday, 18th September at St George's Church, Brailes, near Shipston on Stour at midday

CLARK, (Peter) Norman Smithes, after a long illness, aged 76 years. On Saturday 30th August. Brother of Douglas Clark & retired photographer. Funeral 3.00 pm. on Friday 5th September at Reading Crematorium. All Hallows Road, Caversham. Flowers to Tomalin & Son, Henley on Thames, Oxford.

COOK, Alison (nee Keighly-Peach) on 1st September, at Harnham Croft Nursing Home, Salisbury. Sadly missed by her family and friends. private cremation. family flowers only Enquiries to D K Shergold tel 0722 28966.

FREETH - On the 29th August 1986, suddenly at home James Ernest (Jim) aged 81 years, of Albion St, Shaldon, Devon. Loving husband of Phyllis and dear father of Christine. Grandpa of Ben and Lucy.

GAUNT - On 28th August, Sybil Victoria, peacefully in a nursing home, previously at Hampton Court Palace. Widow of Admiral Sir Guy Gaunt K C M.G., C.B. Service at The Park Crematorium, Aldershot on Tuesday, 9th September at 11am. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Royal Naval Association, HQ 82 Chelsea Manor St, London SW5 9JJ.

HANKIN - James William, Squadron Leader (166 Squadron), formerly of Basingstoke, Hampshire, latterly of Whitby, Yorkshire, peacefully into Heavenly Father's care on 3rd September 1986

HUGHES - On September 1st, 1986, peacefully at home, John, beloved husband of Ethel and father of Robert. Cremation private.

KATER - On August 31st, 1986, Jacob Maurice after a short illness in hospital at Monster, Holland. Telephone 010 31 070 651146.

LAING - On 2nd September, 1986, suddenly whilst walking in the sun in Dorset, Dorothy Linton (Dot) aged 83, widow of Captain H D B Laing. Dearly loved mother of Hugh and Sylvia, and grandmother of Camilla, Marc, Hugh and Roderic, will be greatly missed by her family and friends worldwide. Funeral Service at the Chapel St Theresa's Convent, 46 Roland Gardens, SW7, at 10.45am, Saturday, 6th September, followed by private cremation. Flowers and enquiries to A France & Son tel 01 405 4901

MALONEY, Eleanor Wilson - On 3rd September, 1986, peacefully. Donations if so desired to The Royal Marsden Hospital, Downs Rd, Sutton, Surrey.

MARTIN - On August 30th, peacefully, Ernest Victor Martin, aged 83. Beloved husband of Dorothy for 56 years, dearly loved father of Peter, Eric and Joan and Grandpa of Paul and Alice. Crusader Leader for over 60 years, and for 21 years Secretary of Mr Fegan's Homes. Funeral at Angmering Baptist Church on Monday, September 8th at 2pm, followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, for 'St Barnabas Home', c/o F A Holland & Son, Littlehampton, tel Littlehampton 713939. 2 Timothy 4 v 7 + 8.

MORRISON - Peacefully on 1st September 1986, Kathleen Alice Morrison aged 83 years. Dutiful wife of John Percy and beloved mother of Mary and Michael. Service at the Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham on Friday, 5th September at 11.30 am. All enquires to Cooks, Chesham 0494 785151.

READ - On September 1st, after a short illness, Ruth of 2 Manor Court, Breaston, Derbyshire, dearly beloved wife of Ernest, mother of David and Elizabeth and grandmother of Sarah, Nicky, Christopher and Kate. Funeral at Breaston Methodist Church, at 2pm, on Monday, 8th September, donations if desired to Save the Children Fund c/o A W Lymn, West Park, Lime Grove, Long Eaton NG10 4LD, but if floral tributes are preferred, they will be appreciated.

ROTHWELL, On 1st September, 1986, in hospital, Captain Leslie Rothwell, *formerly of The Royal Corps of Signals*, much loved husband of Agnes. Funeral private.

SEAL - On 11th August, suddenly but peacefully at home in Gillingham, Kent, Ada Beatrice, aged 84 years, much loved mother of Doreen and grandmother of Caroline, Martin, Paul and Melanie.

SESSIONS - On 2nd September 1986, peacefully in Poole General Hospital, John of 68 Manor Road, Verwood, Dorset, formerly of Wisbech and South Molton, Devon. Dearly loved husband of Barbara and of the late Winnie and father of John and Blair. Funeral Service at St Michaels and All Angels Church, Verwood on Saturday 6th September at 12.30 pm.

STEIN - On 2nd September, 1986, after a long illness courageously borne, Gerard, much loved husband of Lore and father of Margaret (Lavene), Robert and David and six grand children. Private Cremation. Memorial Service to be announced. No flowers please, donations, if desired to A J R Charitable Trust or Masonic Grand Charity.

WOOD, Annie Louise - On 28th August, 1986, at St Saviour's Hospital, Hythe, aged 84. Funeral Service at Hawkinge Crematorium, Aerodrome Rd, Hawkinge, Folkestone, Kent, at 2.30pm, Monday, 8th September. Flowers may be sent to Hambrook & Johns Funeral Directors, 1 Dymchurch Rd, Hythe, Kent, tel Hythe 66525.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

WETTON - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Wing Commander "Bill" Wetton (Reid) one time member of '600' City of London Squadron R. Aux. AF, and founder of Wetton Cleaning Services, will be held in the Church of St Clement Danes, Strand, WC1 on Friday, October 10th, 1986, at noon.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

RAWCLIFFE, Gordon Hindle, died 3rd September 1979. 'The sundown, splendid and serene'. From his brother.

THOMPSON, Edith, who died September 4th, 1985, remembered today and always with love and affection, Julie, Paul and Noel James.

RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

RIXSON - HOPE & DENIS - September 7th, 1936 at St. Michael's, Chester Square. Any then present particularly welcome at Sunday Luncheon, September 7th, MIDHURST Sussex (4940)

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARIES

HERNIMAN : RATSEY - On September 4th, 1926 at St. John's Church, Hove, Cecil to May. Now at Wantley, The Drive, Chichester.

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THE ARTS

Television

Hen house of horrors

A fresh dimension was added to the price of free-range eggs last night by *Animal Squad* (BBC1), a new series about the work of an RSPCA inspector.

In a dilapidated battery hen unit which was little more than a charnel-house, police walked over the bones of dead birds and picked hundreds of hen carcasses off the cages where they had been left to rot.

Outside, the bodies of more dead birds decayed in plastic sacks. In another building 427 birds continued to live and to lay eggs, some of them standing on the bodies of their dead cage-mates. The owner of this neglected farm insisted that his birds were "quite fine" and sold their eggs in a nearby health food shop. At the programme's conclusion the live birds were destroyed and the owner eventually fined £1,220.

The stoic keynote was struck by the RSPCA inspector, who expressed his feelings in a recitation of the charges he intended to bring. "Failure to inspect," he muttered angrily, surveying a scene for which far stronger language would have been appropriate. The sentimental title song of the series was among its most repellent aspects.

Repulsion is also the stock-in-trade of the actor Derek Martin, who has cornered the market in corrupt policemen with his rat-trap grin.

***King and Castle* (ITV), a new underworld drama by Ian Kennedy Martin, takes this stereotype out of the police force and into the debt collecting business where he is not pleased to receive a request from his former colleagues for a "Friday manilla" of £150. Much of the script's wit was predicated on widespread public acceptance of police corruption.**

The cornerstone of the series' appeal will be the relationship between this contemporary rogue and his wide-eyed leg man, a well educated martial arts master and disadvantaged single father played by Nigel Planer.

Planer is celebrated as the creator of the moaning hippie in the comedy *The Young Ones*; he is a skilful actor who can look as wistful as a labrador puppy when required, but in this opening episode the vital spark of the two men's relationship was obscured by the effort necessary to establish their characters.

Celia Brayfield

Jokers need to go wild

Rookery Nook
Shaftesbury

Ben Travers was good at birthday parties, and it is a shame that he is not still around to celebrate his hundredth. Short of the man himself, the alternative has to be a slap-up revival of *Rookery Nook* which, as he rightly claimed: "has made a lasting appeal to the British public: the total number of its performances has been many times greater than that of all my other plays put together."

The last time it played in the West End was during his lifetime in the late 1970s. The show was not to his liking; and I remember getting more fun out of it shortly afterwards when I saw it played by amateurs in a Cornish church hall.

Travers said he had no idea why the play was so popular; but there may be a clue here. Farce usually demands discipline and techniques available only to professional actors, and farce specialists at that. But this piece, rooted in English village life, with its gossips and snoopers, its local eccentrics and ferocious conformists, contains something with which generation after generation of amateurs have been able to identify.

They may not deliver the whole thing, but they can get along. And better an affectionate church hall performance than a cold-blooded West End revival that goes off at half-cock.

Mark Kingston's production, which is affectionate and mechanically inventive, is the best I have seen; but in one respect I still prefer the Cornish amateurs. That is the central partnership between the two cousins, Clive and Gerald, who are left in charge of the title property and the fleeing Rhoda, who invades it in her pyjamas.

Originally a vehicle for the highly competitive double act of Tom Walls and Ralph Lynn, it calls for two actors of outstanding comic personality — one projecting rapacious opportunism (whether with the drinks cupboard or anything in silk stockings), and the other the byzantine moral contortions of a bridegroom who finds himself in possession of a delectably distressed virgin. You cannot say that what Ian Ogilvy and Tom Courtenay do in these roles is positively wrong; only that they do not fill them out.

The play, of course, is clean as a whistle and the production rightly preserves the 1920s setting (by Alan Pickford) but in straining to recapture that supposed age of innocence, Mr Ogilvy reduces Clive to a blazered bounder in Oxford bags whose thoughts stray no further than taking Rhoda for a spin in the car.

As for Gerald, Mr Courtenay scales him down to a slow-thinking, rather petulant victim of circumstances, whose spirals of misunderstandings and desperate gibberish come over as effects carefully arranged by the playwright rather than desperate improvizations by the character. Here, as elsewhere in the show, the pace needs revving up. Travers's farces always start slowly: what one misses here is the wild acceleration that should take over after the first act.

The production is at its brilliant best whenever it touches on Travers's favourite theme of domestic bullying. I doubt whether even the old Aldwych team ever sported such a crack squad of tyrants and victims as Peggy Mount, Nichola McAuliffe, and Derek Smith.

In the Robertson Hare role of Harold Twine, the fatal Gertrude's terrorized spouse, Mr Smith begins on traditional lines by nibbling his straw hat (his one surviving gesture of independence), and executes a vertical take-off to the zenith of acrobatic comedy. Briefly off the domestic hook, he fixes the company with a ghastly convivial grimace, almost singing his lines, until the name of Gertrude catapults him across the stage, twitching from head to foot.

Lethargic pace remains an enemy even to Lionel Jeffries as the whip-brandishing German neighbour; one bully from whom the show fails to draw blood. Travers's lines often sound pretty makeshift until they get carried into the higher lunacy of the action; but no doubt the company will shortly be getting their foot down.

Irving Wardle

Theatre

Donald Cooper

Lionel Jeffries, Ian Ogilvy and Tom Courtenay in *Rookery Nook*

A painful experience

Cramp
Bloomsbury

The Hull Truck Theatre Company's juggernaut trundles on with *Cramp*, their Fringe First success of 1981 which - now substantially updated and revamped with music - opened in Edinburgh last month. The score, by Tom Robinson and Hereward K, is a pleasantly melodic, synthesizer-based amalgam of Mr Robinson's chanson influences interspersed with peppy disco numbers. The singing is far from amateurish and the harmonizing particularly commendable.

What transpires in the interim constitutes one of the most depressing experiences currently available in London, an unutterably witless lava-flow of lazy plotting, dim chippiness and pointlessly foul-mouthed speech. Since they hit the West End with *Up 'n' Under* two years ago, Hull Truck appear to have been labouring under two very wrong ideas: that the Yorkshire proletariat is somehow their own personal discovery, and that their present artistic director John Godber is capable of writing funny dialogue.

Whatever one may feel personally for or against the small-town boors whom they impersonate in play after play, with their entrenched smugness and swaggering misogyny posing as earthy charm, the fact remains that Mr Godber has never suggested the least danger of developing them into dramatically potent characters. That is simply not his style.

The present farrago is introduced by a sombre little lecture about the inequities of life in the wake of the miners' strike, and quickly jumps to the domestic problems of one Dave (Chris Walker), a 19-year-old technical student who pumps iron in his parents' garage and worries about whether he is as other men. Another man, Max (Anthony Browen), attempts to lift Dave's usual 200 lbs but finds he cannot (he is not a weight-lifter, you see). They exchange jokey badinage, such as: 'Ah'm off.' 'Aye. Ah thought summat smelt.' Later, they go to the disco, where there is some feeble love interest. Dave gets drunk, invites a chum to perform a sexual service for him and, on his declining, cracks the other's head before returning home to hang himself.

At this point, the company sing: "Another hero pays the price/Another fool in paradise" - although one searches in vain for evidence of a rhetorical connection between the lot of the common working man, broken by the dastardly NCB, and that of our Dave, twanging his pecs in the garage of his doting parents (Maureen Morris and Stephen Crane). There may well be a hidden sub-text, but then there is scarcely a text.

Martin Cropper

Audiences and jury did not have the same idea about the films shown at this year's Locarno Festival. Report from **Geoff Brown**

British Lamb wins the bronze leopard

If it had been left to Locarno's audiences, the top festival prize might well have gone to the British film **Lamb** — that stern, well-wrought account of a misguided Irish priest taking an epileptic urchin under his wing.

Spectators who fidgeted through wayward, clumsy and uncouth delicacies from far-flung countries, received *Lamb*, directed by Colin Gregg from Bernard MacLaverty's novel, with the rapt attention due to a stark story punched home in crystal-clear images.

Not that the director returned from Locarno empty-handed: at the closing ceremony, Gregg hopped on to the platform to collect, in all, three scrolls of paper, a gold ingot in a presentation case and a bronze leopard couchant (the festival's third main prize).

Lamb also received the unique accolade of a television screening throughout Switzerland and Italy on the day of its festival début, an event arranged by RAI television. At a stroke the film clocked up some six million specatators — far, far more than in Britain, where it received a meek commercial release earlier this summer.

Locarno audiences also relished **40m² Deutschland**, a highly impressive début film by the Turkish emigré Tevfik Baser. The forbidding title is perfectly apt, for the 40 square metres of her tiny Hamburg apartment are all the central character knows.

Her *Gastarbeiter* husband, fearing cultural contamination, forbids contact with the world outside; so days consist of staring from windows, reverie, incomprehension and despair. This might suggest a glum essay in cultural schisms and claustrophobia, but Baser — trained in photography and the graphic arts — invests his story with a potent sense of mystery.

A night-time exterior shot shows blackness punctured by white television screens flickering in separate apartments; remnants of the wife's Turkish past give ironic colour to the drab décor; throughout, a prowling camera prevents the character's prison from becoming the audience's. Baser bounced on to the award platform to receive three scrolls of paper, a silver leopard (the second prize) and much deserved applause.

By comparison Janusz Zaorski, the Polish director of the top prize-winner **Jezioro Bodenskie** (*Lake Constance*), received his golden leopard to muted clapping, polite moans and whistles. Perhaps the jury had been seduced by the film's promising credit sequence, in which the hero returns, haunted and curious, to his wartime internment camp on the borders of Lake Constance. It is more likely, though, that they succumbed, as juries often do, to compromise and internal pressure; for there was nothing in the remaining film — a comedy-drama lacking all verisimilitude or resonance — to deserve so high an honour.

No controversy surrounded the top prize-winner in Locarno's television movies section, the Israeli **Avanti Popolo**. The film follows two Egyptians in the aftermath of the 1967 Six Day War, stumbling across forbidden whisky and an Israeli patrol *en route* to the Suez Canal.

Their adventures are wittily written in a vein of black, dangerous comedy, and staged with an infectious cinematic brio that promises well for the young director Rafi Bukaee. At the award ceremony Bukaee duly received a scroll of paper and the golden leopard's eye — a startling representation of an eye split open, with a leopard instead of a pupil.

Locarno has always offered excellent retrospectives, and this year we were spoiled with three. One saluted the fine actor François Simon, son of Michel — a leading light of the Swiss film renaissance, able to conjure the most diverse expressions from his fragile voice, furrowed brow and deep-set eyes. Another dipped into the prolific output of Ennio Flaiano (1910-1972) — an esteemed novelist, journalist, man about town, scriptwriter for Fellini, Antonioni and Italy's best commercial directors.

Homage to a serious joker: Ennio Flaiano, scriptwriter and man about town

Italian scriptwriters always come by the pack — 10 names are not uncommon on film credits — but the festival spotlit Flaiano's individual brand of serious joking with a highly inventive exhibition built round stills, posters, newspaper cuttings, letters, drawings, book-jackets, television clips — even the sounds of Flaiano's favourite records. Those seeking a similar context for François Simon were out of luck: *François Simon — La Présence*, a film portrait prepared by the actor's widow, crumpled both his life and work into a morbid, pretentious collage.

But the chief object of retrospective attention was Keisuke Kinoshita — a director little known in the West, though in a career stretching back to 1943 he has made some of Japan's most respected and popular films. Luckily British audiences will be able to share Locarno's discoveries when the National Film Theatre mounts a Kinoshita season next year.

Rock

The Boss Goodman Testimonial
Dingwalls

With its poor ventilation, bad acoustic, cramped layout and numerous floor to ceiling pillars obscuring the view of the stage, there can be few locations in London so obviously unsuitable for presenting live entertainment as is Dingwalls.

That it continues to enjoy pre-eminence as a rock music venue must be ascribed in large part to the astute judgement of the club's booker for the last 12 years, Boss Goodman, on whose behalf this long concert featuring many pub-rock luminaries past and present playing in ad hoc combinations was staged.

Some, such as Graham Parker and Ian Dury have gone on from the pub circuit to better things. But with the exception of Nick Lowe leading a band compromising Martin Belmont, Paul Carrack and the magnificent Pete Thomas (from the Attractions), who were joined latterly by Graham Parker, none of the musicians at this curious anniversary knees-up behaved as though they had any reputation to protect.

Performances ranged from the inept (Lemmy, Rat Scabies, Mick Green and Wurzel ruining "Shakin' All Over") through the embarrassing (Ian Dury yelling his way through "Johnny B. Goode") to the unspeakable (Buster Bloodvessel, wobbling like a huge lump of lard, bawling a tuneless 10 minute chorus of "Wooly Bully"). If in the ordinary course of events Goodman was to book acts on the strength of performances such as these, Dingwalls would have been out of business years ago.

The spruce harmonies and fluid shuffling rhythms that characterized Nick Lowe's "I Knew the Bride" and "Half a Boy, Half a Man" did not happen by accident, and likewise Graham Parker's pummelling version of Don Covay's "Chain of Fools" had evidently been worked on before the gig, offering some recompense to people who had paid £10 to get in.

David Sinclair

Promenade concert

LSO/Abbado
Albert Hall/ BBC 2/ Radio 3

It would be of interest to know if the presence of television cameras among a well-filled Promenade audience is a matter of cause or effect, but on Tuesday night they combined to generate a considerable warmth of presence for Albert Brendel, as soloist with Claudio Abbado and the London Symphony Orchestra.

He has on occasion denied that he is an "intellectual" pianist, but Mr Brendel was certainly mindful of the part that intellect plays in the D minor Piano Concerto by Brahms.

If the satisfaction of such a work is in direct proportion to the degree of perception from its performers, then dividends were generous on this occasion. Mr Brendel played as the fancy took him: spacious and elegant in the first movement; rhapsodic without being indulgent in the Adagio, and with a wonderfully poised vitality in the finale. He was complemented by orchestral playing of logic and conviction.

In his balance of texture, the conductor favoured an unusual amount of low-register sonority, which was again evident later in the programme. Debussy's *Nocturnes* seemed to be additionally the subject of lighting experiments for television's benefit, with multi-hued colour to brighten the central "Fêtes", but a severe monotone for "Nuages" as Debussy's "study in grey", and for the final "Sirènes".

In this last the ladies of the LSO Chorus were scattered among the orchestra instead of being, in the usual choral cluster, with a noticeable gain in the blending of their wordless voices with the instruments. Though perhaps more inclined to favour a *cantabile* approach to phrasing in place of impressionist evocation, the conductor obtained a performance that glistened with vitality and detail, bold tonal range, down to wonderfully soft endings for each nocturne, and with controlled changes of perspective.

Noel Goodwin

Gallery

Warrior of the arts

Even by the olympian standards of the 18th century, the man who combined the exacting taste of an influential patron of the arts with the tactical brilliance of the military genius was a rare animal.

Any general who was capable of leading an Austrian army to victory merits some scrutiny and of that select breed, few were more gifted than Prince Eugene of Savoy, whose death 250 years ago is being celebrated in a series of exhibitions in and around Vienna. At Schloss Hof and the nearby castle of Niederweiden, a few miles east of Vienna, those with a few hours to spare will find these two sides to Eugene's character amply illustrated in two lavish exhibitions.

In Schloss Hof, whose architectural splendours inspired two fine Canaletto elevations (displayed here), several rooms of the prince's former country retreat have been turned into museums of military history and Eugene memorabilia.

The soldier prince's ornate pistols, cuirass and battered snuff-box, souvenirs from the battle of Malplaquet are on display alongside brightly coloured maps of the campaigns which he undertook with the Duke of Marlborough against the French.

A portrait of the duke by Adrian Werff, on loan from a Florentine museum, is a welcome note of relief from the long rows of portraits of Prince Eugene which gaze down benignly at the visitor at every corner. Most portray the man who was described by Louis XIV as "incapable de tout" and whose sickly hunchback appearance induced mirth in the Parisian court more favourably than contemporary accounts record. It is impossible as one sees all these heroic portraits to believe that his upper lip was so narrow that it prevented him from ever shutting his mouth as the Duchess of Orleans relates.

The exhibition at Schloss Hof also attempts to record the acheivements of the baroque which flourished in that area of central Europe which Eugene's armies freed from the Turks. Silver coins commemorating the downfall of the infidel and a series of opulent ivory reliefs on the same theme are contained in the smaller rooms.

Despite these, however, the visitor leaves Schloss Hof more aware of Eugene's military genius than his no less significant role as a patron of the arts. At Niederweiden, this impression is balanced by the presence of several architectural models and drawings devoted to Eugene's building activities which as well as Schloss Hof included the spectacular Belvedere Palace in Vienna and the smaller but no less worthy Winter Palace in the Himmelpfortstrasse.

Two giants of the Austrian baroque, Fischer von Erlach and Lukas von Hildebrandt, worked for Eugene and the drawings, many of them from the Albertina in Vienna, are an insight into the workings of the two great

Prince Eugene of Savoy: arts patron

architects' minds. Both took as motifs the forms of the Turkish tents which had so recently been erected at the gates of the city during the second siege of 1683 and their forms, in their exuberance and imagination, seem the complete antithesis of the "perfection of restraint" which marked the highly disciplined armies which occupied the other side of Eugene's life.

For those who cannot face the 8am bus to Schloss Hof or would rather remain in Vienna, a related exhibition can be seen in the opulent national library on the Josefsplatz. Here, underneath the vast oval dome of Fischer von Erlach's greatest secular work, the 15,000 books of Eugene's library are on display. "an excellent supply of books", the prince called it and a tribute to the breadth of his interests which included, apart from architecture and war, trees and all forms of tropical birdlife.

But even among these books, the art of war is never far away and the soldier-patron was able to combine his two great passions in the magnificent quartos of military treatises, each one of which was lovingly bound in the skins of the defeated Janissaries.

Richard Bassett

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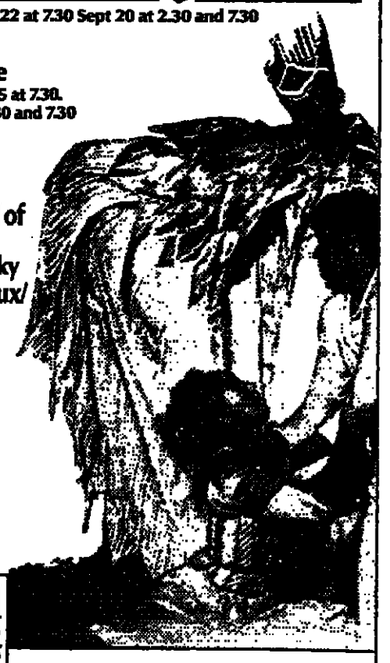
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Former servant key to family murder inquiry

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with a video recorder. It was found in the possession of a man from the Bournemouth area who was detained and is assisting police.

A friend of Stephenson, he is not believed to be connected with the burglary and murders.

Det Chief Supt Wheeler said: "We urgently want to trace Stephenson. From inquiries we have made we believe he is a dangerous and violent man. He may have one of the weapons in his possession. It is for that reason we are disclosing his name.

"We would like to stress to all members of the public that they should not under any circumstances approach him but contact any police station.

He added: "I think it is quite possible Stephenson could be anywhere in the country. I have no idea if anyone is with him but we have had one report that there is a lady with him. It could be one or more people we are looking for in connection with the burglary and murders."

Because of the scenes of disorder at the six-bedroomed house, which was broken into while the five victims were having dinner on Monday night, police believe that more than one man is likely to have been involved.

A rear ground-floor window was used to gain entry before the Cleaver family and their live-in nurse, who had worked there for four years, were tied up at gunpoint, callously bundled upstairs and strangled before their killer sought to destroy evidence before setting their bodies alight.

Post mortem examinations have been completed, but police would not disclose the injuries of the victims, who were badly burned. Nor would they comment on a report that the younger Mrs Cleaver had been raped.

The stolen guns — two 12-bore shotguns, a .410 shotgun and a .22 rifle — were licensed in the name of Mr Cleaver, a wealthy man who enjoyed field sports, fishing and greyhound racing, but who had become increasingly reclusive after the stroke which disabled his wife 15 years ago.

Mr Wheeler said: "Stephenson is the key to this investigation, and because of the fact that the firearms are outstanding and we believe him to be a violent man from the inquiries we have made, we owe it to the public to bring the danger to their attention."

A blood-stained woman seen near the house after the discovery of the murders was eliminated from inquiries when it was found that she had been scratched when she fell over some wire while out walking.

Mr Cleaver's second son James, who has a villa in Portugal, flew home on Tuesday after learning of the family tragedy. The two children of Tom and Wendy Cleaver, Melissa, aged 19, and Jason, aged 21, were being cared for by relatives last night.

Stephenson was born in Bishop Auckland and lived with his parents, two brothers and a sister in the north-east, though some of his childhood was spent in West Germany where his father served in the Army.

He trained as an apprentice fitter at Easington Colliery, County Durham, before moving to Coventry in 1968.

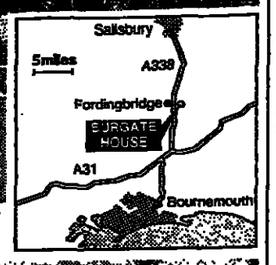
● **Founded business:** Two happy households, of father and son, have been destroyed by the Fordingbridge killings (Michael McCarthy writes).

Mr Cleaver founded an educational correspondence course business in the Twenties and expanded successfully into publishing before selling out and retiring to the edge of the New Forest.

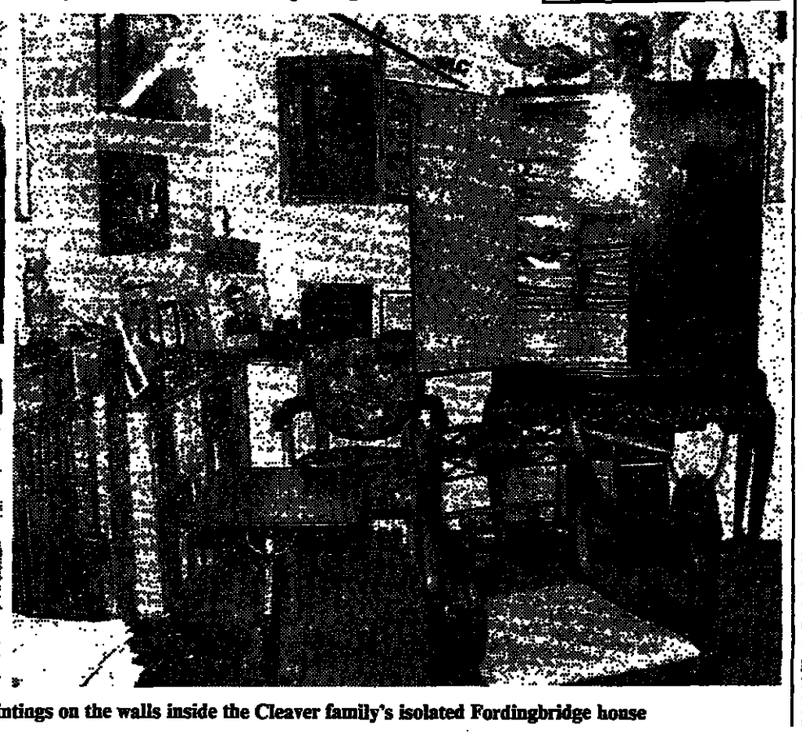
His son Tom and his wife were frequent visitors from their own home in Oxshott, Surrey, and it was paying such a call that they met their deaths.

Mr Tom Cleaver, according to neighbours, had a business involved with running private schools in Britian and abroad, and Jason worked with him. Melissa is a student.

The smoke-blackened home of the Cleaver family at Fordingbridge in Hampshire where police found the charred bodies of the five murder victims who had been set on fire by their attackers after being strangled.



Mrs Hilda Cleaver and her husband Mr Joseph Cleaver



Family photographs on the mantlepiece and paintings on the walls inside the Cleaver family's isolated Fordingbridge house

Heroism in Russian ship rescue revealed

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stripped off their own clothing and given it to the survivors hauled from the water.

A honeymoon couple, Aliona and Yuri Pavlikovi, told of their ordeal after going to their cabin shortly before the fatal collision at 11.15 pm when the cargo ship, the Pyotr Vasev, ripped open the starboard side of the liner after mysteriously failing to respond to radio warnings that it was sailing on a collision course.

"We were about to fall asleep when we felt this collision", Aliona said. "I am a coward, that is why I screamed. Yuri found the lifebelts and helped me put mine on. We made our way to the deck in the darkness. It was terrible, the deck started sloping away from us and we slid over the side. People all around were screaming.

"The barman, who was near us in the water tried to encourage me. We swam for two hours. Then we saw the tug boat Mars."

Among the first rescuers to arrive at the scene were cadets from a Black Sea training school in rowing boats.

Later the survivors were taken to the port of Novorossiysk which the liner had left earlier with all its lights blazing. Special communication lines were set up to enable those rescued to contact relatives all over the Soviet Union.

It was disclosed yesterday that the captains of both vessels survived the disaster and they were understood to be helping the Kremlin inquiry commision headed by a leading member of the ruling 12-man Politburo, Mr Geidar Aliyev.

The government paper *Izvestia* has already laid the blame for the collision in which nearly 400 people appear to have died on those in command of the bulk carrier. It openly accused them of gross negligence for failing to respond to the warnings from the bridge of the 50-year-old liner.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Prince Michael of Kent attends the Senior Grand Manx Grand Prix, Isle of Man, 1.

New exhibitions

Four Ayrshire Artists: watercolours: Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 28).

Art and crafts: Cosy Gallery, 81 Upper Lisburn Rd, Belfast; Thurs to Sat 12.45 to 6.30 (ends Sept 27).

Alastair Hull: Afghanistan: rugs, furniture, glass, pottery; textiles and clothing; Cobbs Mill, Mill Lane, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex; Mon to Sun 10.30 to 7 (ends Sept 14).

Exhibitions in progress

History of shell collecting: Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 28).

At Home: Scottish interiors 1820-1929: The Fine Art Society, 12 Great King St, Edinburgh; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 1 (ends Sept 20).

Gardens in Focus: photographs by Heather Angel: The Ascreavie watercolours: work by Margaret Stones and John Hope: The Enlightenment of Scottish Botany: Inverleith House, Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 11 to 5 (ends Oct 31).

20th century drawings: work by artists of the British School: Octagon Gallery, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 2 to 5, Sun 2.15 to 5 (ends Sept 28).

Jewellery and carvings from Central Asia: The Read Molteno Gallery, The Buildings, Broughton, Stockbridge; Wed to Sun 10.30 to 6 (ends Sept 14).

William Barnes of Dorset: poet, painter, scholar and artist 1801-1886: Dorset County Museum, High St West Dorchester; Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 1 and 2 to 5 (ends Oct 4).

23rd summer exhibition: work by 75 gallery artists: Colin Jellicoe Gallery, 82 Portland St, Manchester; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 1 to 5 (ends Sept 13).

Last chance to see

Shipping sketches by John Wilson Carmichael; Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle, 10 to 5.30.

The British School at Athens and the Ashmolean: Randolph Gallery, Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont St, Oxford, 10 to 4.

Music

An evening of popular and Scottish songs, by the Peebles Singers; Parish Church Centre, Peebles, 7.30.

Talks, lectures

Home Spun: spinning, by Freda Walker; Lake District National Park Visitor Centre, Brockhole, Windermere, 1.30.

The American Shakers: their community and craftsmanship, by John Wilson; Lecture Hall, The American Museum in Britain, Claverton Manor, Bath, 7.

General

Ceramic sculpture, demonstration by Peter Care; Cirencester Workshops, Brewery Court, 10 to 3.30.

The American Shakers and the Oval Box Tradition: Shaker furniture demonstration, by John Wilson; Lecture Hall, The American Museum in Britain, Claverton Manor, Bath, 2 to 5.

Roads

The Midlands: M1: Contraflow nearjunctions 20 and 21 (Lutterworth). M5: Two lane contraflow in use between junctions 4 (Bromsgrove) and 5 (Droitwich).

Wales and West: M5: Lane closures on southbound carriageway between junctions 25 (Taunton) and 26 (Wellington). M4: Lane restrictions in both directions between junctions 44 and 45 (Swansea). A4: Repair work on Bath Road, Bristol near Kensington Park Road.

The North: M6: Roadworks beneath junction 16 (A500); single line traffic northbound. M63: Major widening scheme at Barton Bridge; avoid if possible. A54: Roadworks on new bypass at Kelsall Hill, Cheshire.

Scotland: M8: Roadworks at Newbridge Road, W of Newbridge causing diversions and delays. A80: Glasgowbound carriageway closed due to resurfacing between Haggs and Castlecarry. A7: Single line traffic between Langholm and Canobie due to resurfacing work, Dumfries and Galloway.

Information supplied by AA

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.52	2.40
Austria Sch	22.35	21.15
Belgium Fr	66.35	62.75
Canada $	2.14	2.05
Denmark Kr	11.93	11.33
Finland Mkk	7.75	7.25
France Fr	10.32	9.82
Germany Dm	3.17	3.00
Greece Dr	204.00	192.00
Hong Kong $	11.95	11.45
Ireland Pt	1.15	1.09
Italy Lira	2190.00	2070.00
Japan Yen	244.00	230.00
Netherlands Gld	3.575	3.385
Norway Kr	11.37	10.77
Portugal Esc	224.75	212.75
South Africa Rd	4.75	4.05
Spain Pta	205.25	195.25
Sweden Kr	10.72	10.17
Switzerland Fr	2.57	2.43
USA $	1.557	1.487
Yugoslavia Dnr	765.00	625.00

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Retail Price Index: 384.7

London: The *FT* Index closed up 4.8 at 1324.6.

New books — paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

FICTION

A Posthumous Confession, by Marcellus Emants, translated and introduced by J.M. Coetzee (Quartet Encounters, £4.95)
Blood Libels, by Clive Sinclair (Picador, £2.95)
Fires, by Raymond Carver (Picador, £3.50)
Fly Away Home, by Marge Piercy (Pavanne, £3.50)
High Ground, by John McGahern (Faber, £3.50)

NON-FICTION

Amritsar, by Mark Tully and Satish Jacob (Pan, £3.95)
Reading Latin, by Peter V. Jones and Keith C. Sidwell (Cambridge, text £5.95, *Grammar, Vocabulary and Exercises* £9.95)
Pierre Boulez, A symposium, edited by William Glock (Eulenberg, £12)
The Long March, by Harrison E. Salisbury (Pan, £3.95)
Woody Allen, His Films and Career, by Douglas Brode (Columbus, £8.95)

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The Halifax House Price Index

		ALL HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%	NEW HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%
1983		100.0	30.898		100.0	34.795	
1984		107.2	30.952	7.2	106.9	34.059	6.9
1985		117.0	32.953	9.1	115.4	37.357	8.0
1985	Quarter 2	115.9	32.683	8.9	113.8	36.292	6.5
	Quarter 3	117.6	32.678	7.7	116.4	37.347	7.7
	Quarter 4	120.7	34.407	8.7	119.6	40.122	9.5
1986	Quarter 1	122.5	35.164	9.2	120.9	40.892	9.0
	Quarter 2	128.6	38.266	11.0	125.2	44.492	10.0
1985	August	117.2	32.652	7.6	116.1	37.439	6.8
	September	118.9	33.690	8.1	117.3	38.636	8.1
	October	119.8	34.088	8.4	118.0	39.560	8.8
	November	120.5	34.399	8.2	119.7	40.071	9.2
	December	122.2	34.917	9.7	122.1	41.015	10.8
1986	January	121.0	34.372	8.7	120.3	40.529	8.5
	February	122.3	34.941	9.3	119.8	39.733	8.4
	March	124.0	35.634	9.7	122.5	42.357	10.2
	April	126.7	37.538	10.0	122.7	43.771	7.4
	May	128.4	37.800	11.0	125.4	44.121	10.5
	June	130.8	39.453	12.1	127.5	45.611	12.4
	July	132.3	40.260	13.6	128.3	46.362	11.0
	August	133.1	40.828	13.6	130.7	47.304	12.8

Source: Halifax Building Society

Farnborough show

Farnborough International '86, the Society of British Aerospace Companies exhibition and flying display at Farnborough airfield, opens to the public tomorrow and continues daily from 9.30am to 7 pm until Sunday.

Tickets are available on the gate or from Keith Prowse Ltd, tel: (01) 741 8999.

£250,000 bond

The winning number in this month's £250,000 Premium Bond prize is IJB 072696. The winner lives in Chichester.

Tower Bridge

Tower Bridge will be raised today at 11.45 am and 3.30 pm.

—Portfolio Gold—

Times Portfolio Gold rules are as follows:

1 Times Portfolio is free. Purchase of The Times is not a condition of taking part.

2 Times Portfolio list comprises a group of public companies whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange and quoted in The Times Stock Exchange prices page. The companies comprising that list will change from day to day. The list which is numbered 1 to 440 is divided into four randomly distributed groups of 11 shares. Every Portfolio card contains four numbers from each group and each card contains a unique set of numbers.

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On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in The Times Portfolio list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or -), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share changes to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or -).

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to play — Weekly Dividend

Monday-Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below.

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line (01) 8258-53777 between 10.30am and 3.30pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone.

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for any reason within the stated hours.

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

Weather forecast

An anticyclone will move E into the SW with a ridge of high pressure across southern districts. A deep Atlantic depression will move E to the N of Iceland with the associated fronts crossing Scotland.

6 am to midnight

London, SE and central England, East Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands: Early mist, sunny periods developing; wind westerly light; max temp 19C (66F).

E, SW, NW, central N England, Wales: Early mist, sunny periods developing; wind westerly light; max temp 18C (64F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Sunny intervals at first becoming more cloudy with some rain later; wind westerly light becoming moderate; max temp 17C (63F).

Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Mainly cloudy, occasional rain becoming brighter from the N with showers later; wind westerly moderate or fresh but strong to gale force in exposed places; max temp 15C (59F).

Outlook for Friday and Saturday: Sunny intervals and showers in the N. Mainly dry in the S with sunny periods developing especially in the SW.

Sun rises: 6.17 am *Sun sets:* 7.41 pm
Moon rises: 6.06 am *Moon sets:* 8.03 pm
New moon: 8.10 am

Lighting-up time

London 8.11 pm to 5.49 am
Bristol 8.21 pm to 5.59 am
Edinburgh 8.30 pm to 5.54 am
Manchester 8.22 pm to 5.54 am
Penzance 8.31 pm to 6.12 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F	
Belfast	f	14	57	
B'mingham	c	14	57	
Blackpool	f	14	57	
Bristol	c	16	61	
Cardiff	f	14	57	
Edinburgh	c	12	54	
Glasgow	f	13	55	
Guernsey	s	15	59	
Inverness	f	12	54	
Jersey	c	16	61	
London	c	13	55	
M'chester	c	13	55	
Newcastle	r	10	50	
R'aldsway	s	13	55	

Anniversaries

Births: **François, Vicomte de Chateaubriand**, writer and politician, St Malo, 1768; **Anton Bruckner**, Ansfelder, Austria, 1824; **Darius Milhaud**, Aix-en-Province, 1892.

Deaths: **Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester**, favourite of Queen Elizabeth I, Cornbury, Oxfordshire, 1588; **James Wyatt**, architect, Marlborough, Wiltshire, 1813; **Edvard Grieg**, Bergen, 1907; **Albert Schweitzer**, humanitarian, Lambaréné, Gabon, 1965.

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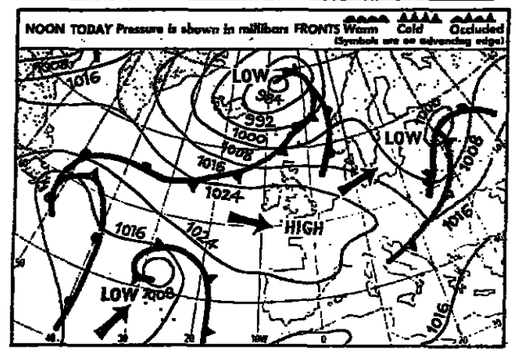

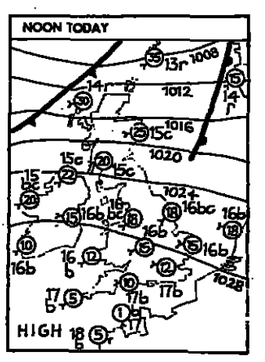

b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.47	6.8	3.01	6.9
Aberdeen	1.57	4.2	2.33	4.1
Avonmouth	8 13	12.3	8.26	12.7
Belfast	11.58	3.1		
Cardiff	7.58	11.3	8 11	11.7
Devonport	6.43	5.1	6.57	5.4
Dover	11.57	6.5		
Falmouth	6 13	4.9	6.27	5.2
Glasgow	1.20	4.5	2 10	4.0
Harwich	12.31	4 0	12.50	3.9
Holyhead	11.21	5.3	11.33	5.6
Hull	7.12	7.1	7.42	7.1
Ilfracombe	7.00	8.7	7 14	9.0
Leith	3.30	5.3	3.55	5.4
Liverpool			12.19	9.0
Lowestoft	10.12	2.4	11.6	2.3
Margate	12.54	4.5	1.01	4.7
Milford Haven	7.14	6.7	7.28	7.0
Newquay	8.04	6.7	6.18	7.0
Oban	7.03	3.8	6.57	4.0
Penzance	5.39	5.2	5.52	5.5
Portland	8 16	2.0	8.19	2.3
Portsmouth	12.08	4.4	12.30	4.5
Shoreham			12.18	6.1
Southampton			12.07	4.4
Swansea	7.18	9.0	7.31	9.3
Tees	4.22	5.2	4.52	5.2
Wilton-on-Nze	12.36	4.0	12.48	4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	1.3	-	15	59	cloudy
Bridlington	3.1	-	16	61	cloudy
Cromer	4.1	-	18	64	bright
Lowestoft	5.9	-	19	66	bright
Clacton	11.4	-	21	70	sunny
Margate	x	-	21	70	sunny
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	10.7	-	21	70	sunny
Hastings	7.9	-	19	66	sunny
Eastbourne	7.9	-	19	66	sunny
Brighton	5.7	-	19	66	bright
Worthing	6.5	-	20	68	bright
Littlehampton	6.3	-	20	68	bright
Bognor R	7.1	-	20	68	sunny
Southsea	3.9	-	19	66	cloudy
Sandown	8.1	-	19	66	sunny
Shanklin	x				
Bournemth	5.4	-	19	66	bright
Poole	5.8	-	20	68	bright
Swanage	6.4	-	18	64	sunny
Weymouth	2.7	-	18	64	cloudy
Exmouth	4.4	-	21	70	sunny
Teignmouth	8.8	-	21	70	sunny
Torquay	6.2	-	20	68	bright
Falmouth	3.1	-	17	63	bright
Penzance	2.3	.01	16	61	cloudy
Jersey	6.3	.03	17	63	cloudy
Guernsey	2.4	-	17	63	cloudy
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	0.9	-	15	59	cloudy
Newquay	0.6	.01	17	63	cloudy
Blmcombe	x	-	17	63	dull
Tenby	0.3	-	17	63	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	x				
Morecambe	4.5	-	15	59	bright
Douglas	x				
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	11.0	-	22	72	sunny
B'hamn Airpt	6.9	-	20	68	sunny
Bristol (Cnt)	6.7	-	18	64	sunny
Cardiff (Cnt)	1.3	.02	17	63	drizzle
Anglesey	8.3	.01	17	63	sunny
B'pool Airpt	7.8	-	16	61	bright
Manchester	7.9	-	19	66	sunny
Nottingham	5.2	-	19	66	sunny
N'cstl-s-Tyne	0.8	-	15	59	cloudy
Carlisle	1.6	-	14	57	cloudy
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	2.2	.01	14	57	showers
Prestwick	2.5	-	15	59	cloudy
Glasgow	3.4	.02	16	61	rain
Tiree	-	.18	14	57	rain
Stornoway	3.5	.02	14	47	sunny
Lerwick	7.8	.12	12	54	showers
Wick	6.3	.09	13	55	showers
Kinloss	2.4	.02	15	59	showers
Aberdeen	3.5	-	15	59	bright
St. Andrews	3.7	-	17	63	cloudy
Edinburgh	1.9	-	16	61	cloudy
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast		4.2	.05	16	61 rain

These are Tuesday's figures

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	25	77	Cologne	r	12	54
Alicudi	s	28	84	C'phagn	c	13	55
Alex'dria *	c	30	86	Corfu	s	29	84
Algiers	s	30	86	Dublin	f	14	57
Amst'dm	r	14	57	Dubrovnik	s	24	75
Athens	s	25	84	Faro	s	28	82
Bahrain	s	38	100	Florence	s	27	81
Barbados*				Frankfurt	c	19	66
Barcelna	f	26	79	Funchal	s	23	73
Beirut				Geneva	s	23	73
Belgrade	s	24	75	Gibraltar	s	25	77
Berlin	c	17	63	Helsinki*	f	16	61
Bermuda*	s	28	82	ong K	f	31	88
Biarritz	s	21	70	Innsbrck	s	22	72
Borde'x	s	22	72	Istanbul	s	25	77
Bos'ne*	f	16	61	Jeddah	s	36	97
Brussels	f	15	59	Jo'burg*	s	19	66
Budapst	s	23	73	Karachi	c	28	82
B Aires*	f	22	72	L Palmas	s	25	77
Cairo	s	33	91	Lisbon	s	29	84
Cape Tn	s	31	88	Locarno	f	21	70
C'blanca	s	25	79	L Angels*	c	21	70
Chicago*	s	27	81	Luxembg	r	13	55
Ch'church	f	10	50	Madrid	s	30	86
Majorca	s	27	81	Rome	s	26	79
Malaga	s	28	82	Salzburg	s	23	73
Malta	f	27	81	S F'risco*	f	19	66
Melb'rne	f	16	61	Santiago*	c	10	50
Mexico C*	s	21	70	S Paulo*	c	18	65
Miami*	s	29	84	Seoul	r	28	82
Milan	s	24	75	Sing'pur	r	25	77
Montreal*	c	19	66	St'kholm	r	14	57
Moscow	f	16	61	Strasb'rg	f	22	72
Munich	s	23	73	Sydney	s	19	66
Nairobi*	c	22	72	Tangier	s	32	90
Naples	s	28	84	Tel-aviv	s	30	86
N Delhi	s	33	91	Tenerife	s	25	77
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Istanbul	s	25	77	Tokyo	r	27	81
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Karachi	c	28	82	Paris	s	23	73
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* dancies Tuesday's figures are latest available

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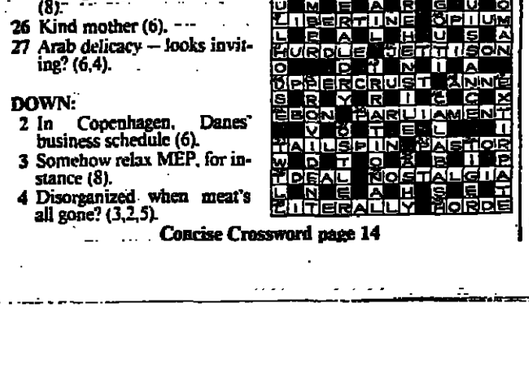

ACROSS:

1 Showing opposite of love, in mental disposition (10).
9 School in distress (6).
10 Turncoat finds fault with other ranks (8).
11 Dramatist takes pieces with queen (8).
12 Dance played by co-operative types (4).
13 Set up makeshift way, as result of embracing? (4-6).
15 Publicize right to support strike (3-4).
17 Soppy girl gets love on the rebound (7).
20 Is 16 straightening this desk? (10).
21 Something put on in king's honour (4).
23 Obsessed with a particular part of record (3-5).
25 Greek attaining eminence among expert combatants (8).
26 Kind mother (6).
27 Arab delicacy — looks inviting? (6,4).

DOWN:

2 In Copenhagen, Danes' business schedule (6).
3 Somehow relax MEP, for instance (8).
4 Disorganized when meat's all gone? (3,2,5).
5 Organ note's distinctive characteristic (7).
6 Prune won't make you fat (4).
7 Reminder one girl got for overspending (8).
8 Steps taken to avoid weapon cuts? (5,5).
12 Captain played for money, not free (10).
14 University rank for numbers of bookmen (10).
16 Make new production with special care in network (8).
18 Exeter man, perhaps, in navy (4,4).
19 Connecting device leaking badly (7).
22 It relies on two banks for advances (6).
24 Terminates alliances (4).

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Executive Editor
Kenneth Fleet

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1324.6 (+4.6)

FT-SE 100
1670.7 (+2.9)

Bargains
22057

USM (Datastream)
127.13 (–0.11)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.5005 (+0.0110)

W German mark
3.0415 (+0.0178)

Trade-weighted
71.4 (+0.3)

Bank objection rejected as MMC clears Elders bid

By Cliff Feltham

The way was cleared for another mega-bid yesterday when the Monopolies and Mergers Commission gave the green light for Elders IXL, the Australian drinks group, to renew its £1.8 billion takeover bid for Allied-Lyons, the food and drinks conglomerate.

The nine-month MMC investigation had been prompted by concern over the high level of gearing and bank finance involved to mount the bid but even after unprecedented opposition from the Bank of England, the commission decided not to block the offer.

Sir Derrick Holden-Brown, chairman of Allied-Lyons, said last night: "I do find it disappointing that the commission had an opportunity of drawing attention to the very unsatisfactory nature of highly leveraged bids. I thought they would have suggested rules to govern bids of this kind and, armed with the representations made by the Bank of England, they were in a strong position to do so."

Mr John Elliott, the Elders IXL chief executive, now has 21 days to renew his offer or he must wait until December 6, 12 months after the original bid lapsed.

Mr Elliott yesterday said he was considering his options and welcomed the commission's report. "There have been a lot of unfounded reports, some of them from Allied, about our financing plans so I am glad we have put that right."

The commission found that the bid would be highly leveraged by British standards — leaving Elders with high borrowings relative to its capital base — but concluded that the Australian predator would be acquiring in Allied-Lyons a mature business with a stable cash flow. The proposed sale of Allied-Lyons' food division would also offer an immediate prospect of reducing the capital gearing.

The report discloses that the Bank of England — thought to have given public edvidence on a takeover bid for the first time — strongly opposed the takeover because of the high levels of capital gearing and interest cover.

The Commission noted the concern but did not think it should lay down guidelines, suggesting the issue should be looked at by the Bank and the Stock Exchange. Meanwhile in the City, analysts were divided on if, and when, Mr Elliott will resume hostilities with Allied-Lyons. Since his original offer of 255p a share, the Allied share price has risen strongly and last night was 351p, down 2p on the day, valuing the group at around £2.4 billion. " A new bid would have to be around 400p just for openers, " one brewery analyst said.

But Mr Elliott may switch his attention to Courage, the brewing business owned by Hanson Trust, and thought to be on the market for around £1.3 billion. Hanson last night declined to comment on speculation that a deal was imminent.

Allied-Lyons has also been strengthening its defences and is close to purchasing the Hiram Walker spirits business of Canada for about £600 million.

● Elders, whose best known product is Foster's, the top selling lager in Australia, would become the British brewer of its chief Australian rival if it took over Allied-Lyons (Derek Harris writes).

Castlemaine XXXX, the other dominant brand in Australia, is brewed, under licence from the Bond Corporation, by Allied in Wrexham, Clwyd.

Elders has indicated that it would expect Bond not to want this brewing connection to continue.

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From left: Mr Jim Butler, senior partner PMI (UK); Mr James Brown, PMI chairman; Mr Paul Boschma, KMG chairman; and Mr Bill Morrison, managing partner, KMG (UK)

PMI and KMG set to form world's biggest accountants

By Teresa Poole

Peat Marwick International (PMI) and Klynveld Main Goerdeler (KMG), two leading accountancy firms, yesterday announced their intention to merge, thereby creating the largest accountancy practice in the world.

The combined practice will have a fee income of $2.7 billion (£1.8 billion), operate in 88 countries, and employ almost 60,000 staff.

Agreement on a combined organization comes almost exactly a year after the breakdown of earlier merger talks.

Mr James Brown, chairman of PMI, said yesterday that the companies had not been psychologically ready for the merger last September. "But as the time has passed, we have come to see the obstacles to be overcome were really not that large at all," he added.

KMG, which has a strong base on the Continent, has also been approached by Arthur Andersen, Ernst & Whinney, and Deloitte Haskins & Sells. But Mr Paul Boschma, KMG chairman, said that no discussions had been held with any other firm.

Both PMI and KMG said the merger would create a unique organization, with highly developed expertise on international assignments.

But before the merger can proceed, the proposals will have to win the backing of partners in the individual national firms, which are free to reject the plans. Negotiations to merge each KMG member-firm with its PMI counterpart will begin immediately at local level, and each firm will vote on its own merger.

Mr Brown said initial reaction from member firms was supportive, while at KMG, the chairmen of the 15 bigger firms have said they are in favour of the deal.

The joint practice will combine PMI's strengths in the United States, Britain, and Australasia with KMG's pre-eminence in Europe. PMI is best known for its banking, insurance, and financial services clients, while KMG is strong in the manufacturing and energy sectors. Together they will audit 1,425 of the 6,000 largest companies in the world.

The new organization will be known as Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler, with headquarters in Amsterdam. The chairmanship will go to PMI for the first three years and Mr Brown will hold the position for the first year until his retirement. Mr Casper Broeksma, of KMG, will be the first executive partner. Completion of the merger is planned for January 1987.

In the UK, the combination of Peat Marwick and KMG Thomson McLintock, KMG's British operation, would create the largest practice, with fee income of £167 million and staff of more than 5,000.

The World's Largest Accounting Groups by Fee Income

	Fee income ($m)
1. Peat Marwick/KMG	2,700
2. Arthur Andersen	1,574
3. Coopers & Lybrand	1,410
4. Price Waterhouse	1,234
5. Ernst & Whinney	1,185
6. Arthur Young Int'l	1,060
7. Touche Ross Int'l	973
8. Deloitte Haskins & Sells	953

Source: International Accounting Bulletin

$4 billion raised in record issue

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The Government yesterday raised $4 billion (£2.7 billion) in a record issue in the international capital markets.

The issue, a ten-year floating rate note, announced in the morning, was originally set at $3 billion. It was raised to $4 billion at lunchtime as it became clear that demand for the tightly-priced issue was extremely heavy.

It will raise Britain's official reserves, which stood at $18.9 billion at the end of August, to almost $23 billion, the highest since early in 1982.

Treasury and Bank of England officials said that the decision to bolster the reserves in this way was taken because the opportunity arose to borrow on highly favourable terms.

Officials denied that there was any other timing significance in the announcement. Just under a year ago, and before the Group of Five meeting at the Plaza Hotel in New York, Britain raised $2.5 billion — the previous biggest issue of this type — in a similar exercise.

After that came a period of heavy intervention in the foreign exchange markets by the Bank of England, firstly to drive down the dollar and then to support the pound as oil prices weakened.

The $4 billion issue, priced at ⅛ point below the London interbank bid rate, was co-managed by Credit Suisse First Boston, the biggest issuer in the Euro markets, and Warburg Securities, the major British house.

A total of 31 other banks — including 13 British banks — participated in the issue. The notes are priced at par and available in $10,000 and $500,000 denominations.

The issue has no direct consequences for the funding of the public sector borrowing requirement, which is through issues of gilt-edged securities.

The $4 billion, when taken to the reserves, will be invested in dollar securities by the Bank of England and could generate a net profit.

Prudential pulls out

The Prudential Corporation is effectively to pull out of South Africa through an agreed takeover of Prudential Assurance Company of South Africa (Pacsa), its quoted subsidiary, by Liberty Life, one of the country's biggest insurance groups.

Liberty is making a preferred ordinary share offer, which values Pacsa at R304 million and which will result in the groups merging operations from next January.

Prudential, which had a 64 per cent stake in Pacsa, will end up with a 6.7 per cent interest in Liberty, and it intends to keep this. The new Liberty shares, valued at R140, will pay a fixed annual dividend of R5.

Mr Brian Medhurst, managing director of Prudential's overseas division, said the decision to merge with Liberty had resulted from political developments in South Africa which had seen many senior insurance personnel leave the country.

P&O profits

Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company yesterday announced pretax profits up 19 per cent to £69.8 million on turnover down 7 per cent to £721 million for the six months to June 30. The interim dividend was increased by 1.5p to 7.5p.

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Builder ahead

Wilson (Connolly) Holdings, the private housebuilder, yesterday reported interim pretax profits up 31 per cent from £7.4 million to £10.3 million. Turnover rose from £42.3 million to £55.7 million. The interim dividend of 0.8p represents a 39 per cent on last year's half-time payment.

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£30m issue

Scottish Metropolitan Property is issuing £30 million nominal of debenture stock at a coupon to be determined and an issue price to be fixed by reference to 13½ per cent Treasury stock 2004-08. The issue will refinance borrowings and provide resources for property acquisitions.

Cash call

Goodhead Print Group proposes a rights issue of 3.69 million convertible shares at £1 each to raise £3.53 million net to repay a loan and to provide working capital.

Simex futures

The first futures contract based on Japan's Nikkei share average opened for trading yesterday on the Singapore International Monetary Exchange. Almost 1,800 contracts were traded.

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R-R and US rival to develop engine

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Rolls-Royce and its big American aero-engine rival, Pratt and Whitney, have joined forces to develop a supersonic engine for the next century's new generation of vertical take-off fighters.

The engine would replace the Rolls-Royce Pegasus which now powers all Harrier-type jump jet aircraft in the western world.

Rolls-Royce said at the Farnborough Air Show yesterday that the collaboration could result in a flight demonstration of a super-technology engine before the end of the 1990s.

US studies will be funded by the National Aeronautical and Space Adminstration and the British by the Ministry of Defence. No financial details were being disclosed

The two companies signed a letter of intent in London yesterday.

Rolls-Royce said the agreement was in accord with a memorandum of understanding signed in January between the US Department of Defense and the Ministry of Defence, to collaborate over five years on joint studies to indentify the next generation of advanced short take off and vertical landing (ASTOVL) aircraft.

In another significant collaboration agreement announced at Farnborough yesterday, the Italian company Piaggio is to acquire a 10 per cent stake in the development of a new helicopter engine being produced by the Anglo-French company Rolls-Royce Turbomeca.

The agreement covers the design, development and production of components as well as assembly of the RTM 322-01 Turbo shaft engine which could be selected to power the Anglo-Italian and British government-backed EH101 helicopter being produced by Westland.

The new engine, making its first public flying appearance at Farnborough, is also being offered for the Sikorsky Black Hawk and Sea Hawk and the WS-70 version of the Black Hawk that Westland plans to manufacture.

● British Aerospace yesterday announced substantial American and European orders worth a total of $65 million (£44 million) for its Jetstream 31 turbo-prop and 125 executive jet aircraft.

The new orders will further safeguard the 1,500 jobs at BAe's factory at Prestwick.

The company also announced orders from five European and North American customers for seven 125s

Bank gives licence to Nomura

By Richard Thomson
Banking Correspondent

Nomura Securities, one of the world's largest securities houses, announced yesterday that it had received a licence from the Bank of England to take deposits and was setting up a London banking operation. It is the only Japanese securities house so far to apply for and receive a licence.

The new licensed deposit-taker is to be called Nomura International Finance and will open on November 3 with a separate paid-up capital of £50 million and a staff of 35. It will operate alongside Nomura International, Nomura's main London operation and headquarters of its European business.

Dr Andreas Pringl, managing director of the new company, said: "Most of the big international financial conglomerates are banks which have extended into securities. We are moving the other way."

He said that bank lending was at present relatively unprofitable, so NI Finance would initially concentrate on securities-related business as well as swaps and foreign exchange. It would be working closely with Nomura International, he added.

Go home, Lloyds Bank told

From Stephen Leather, Hong Kong

Mr Michael McWilliam, group managing director of Standard Chartered Bank, yesterday hit out at Lloyds Bank's bid to acquire up to 29.9 per cent of Standard's shares.

Lloyds has applied to the United States Federal Reserve Board for permission to buy the stake in Standard Chartered after it lost its £1.3 billion takeover bid in July.

Under British takeover rules, Lloyds cannot make another full bid for the next 12 months — unless it is an agreed takeover or a third party makes an offer. But its application to the Fed shows that Lloyds has not given up. Lloyds needs American approval to increase its 4.7 per cent stake because Standard owns the Union Bank of California.

Mr McWilliam, speaking in Hong Kong, criticized Lloyds' persistence and said Standard had "protested strongly" to the regulatory authorities in London and the US.

"We have protested because we think this development is harassing. We know this move is inhibiting the proper management of Standard Chartered's business and we would like Lloyds to absorb this clear message — they were unwanted when they made their bid, they failed, and we would like them to go home and get on with their business."

Mr McWilliam said the group was considering the possibility of floating off its Hong Kong banking side as a separate unit with its own listing. At the same time, "we need to bring about an improvement in Standard Chartered's results."

Business had improved in the crown colony since the start of the year, he said, but he gave warning that the local results would not appear very good because of two big shipping problems.

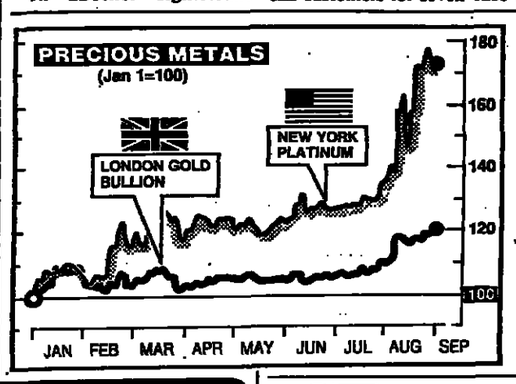
● The first Standard Chartered board meeting to include the new directors Sir YK Pao, Tan Sri Khoo and Mr Robert Holmes à Court, will be held next Tuesday.

Interim profit falls at ASD

ASD, (formerly Associated Steel Distributors), the steel stockholding business which came to the USM in March 1985, yesterday reported interim results for the six months to June 30.

Pretax profits fell from £1.4 million to £1.2 million on turnover up 15 per cent at £34.7 million. The dividend was maintained at 4p.

ASD's hopes for a good recovery in the second half now look unlikely. However, margins are no longer falling and a move into higher value products will compensate for lower volumes. The group plans to become a broadly-based industrial distribution business in the long term.



Gold breaches $400

The price of gold rose above $400 an ounce yesterday to be fixed at its highest level for almost three years

Gold leapt above $400 in New York and consolidated in London, where it was set at $407.2 in the morning. The metal fell to $405 at the afternoon fix after profit-taking, closing at $406.75.

Analysts say gold has greater potential than platinum, which rose above $650 for the second successive day, only to fall back sharply.

"Gold has moved up very constructively, consolidating after each rise, but platinum has gone too far too fast," said Mr Neil Buxton, a metals analyst at Shearson Lehman Brothers.

"In the short-term we're looking for gold at $425 but we wouldn't be surprised to see it at $500 within six to eight weeks."

Platinum has extended its premium over gold recently on fears of a supply shortage and a South African export ban

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York
Dow Jones ..... 1866.84 (–3.52)*
Tokyo
Nikkei Dow ..... 18505.42 (–189.48)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng ..... 1944.99 (–14.38)
Amsterdam: Gen ..... 297.9 (+0.6)
Sydney: AO ..... 1220.0 (+9.0)
Frankfurt:
Commerzbank ..... 2103.6 (–35.2)
Brussels:
General ..... 3895.85 (+18.65)
Paris: CAC ..... 405.7 (–6.8)
Zurich:
SKA General ..... 534.30 (SAME)

London closing prices Page 25

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month interbank 9¹⁵/₁₆-9⅝%
3-month eligible bills: 9¹⁷/₃₂-9½% buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 7½%
Federal Funds 5⅞%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.24-5.23%*
30-year bonds 97¹⁵/₃₂-97²¹/₃₂*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.5005	£: $1.4980*
£: DM3.0415	$: DM2.0260*
£: SwFr2.4558	$: Index: 110.1
£: FFr9.9633	
£: Yen231.98	ECU £0.688606
£: Index:71.4	SDR £n/a

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:
Blue Circle ..... 568p (+12p)
Glaxo ..... 1005p (+10p)
P&O ..... 538p (+20p)
W.A.-Tyzack ..... 48p (+11p)
R.H. Lowe ..... 133p (+13p)
Stat-Plus Group ..... 333p (+20p)
Afex Corp ..... 98p (+23p)
Brownlee ..... 76p (+13p)
Wilson Connolly ..... 286p (+18p)
Wholesale Fitt. ..... 305p (+23p)
Textured Jersey ..... 150p (+10p)
Laporte ..... 408p (+18p)
Attwoods ..... 211p (+13p)
Standard Chart. ..... 724p (+15p)
Consolidated Gold ..... 542p (+23p)
De Beers ..... 742c (+47c)
Instem ..... 193p (+13p)
Rivlin I.D.S. ..... 183p (+17p)
Steel Burrill ..... 244p (+25p)

FALLS:
James Fisher ..... 68p (–7p)
GRE ..... 859p (–20p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $407.20 pm-$405.00
close $406.00-407.50 (£270.50-271.75)
New York:
Comex $405.95-406.45*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Oct) ..... pm bbl($15.25)

* Denotes latest trading price

SE approves final version of rules for big bang

By Lawrence Lever

The Stock Exchange has temporarily shelved the requirement for member firms to obtain agreement letters from their clients before big bang on October 27.

Revised Stock Exchange rules adopted by its council this week to regulate firms' conduct of business in the equities, gilts and corporate fixed interest markets, also introduce a requirement that firms have written rules governing dealings by partners and employees for their own account. Most big firms already have rules, though not necessarily in writing.

Controversial price-reporting requirements which have been opposed by market makers remain intact. However, rules prohibiting churning, i.e. excessive dealing in order to generate commission, and manipulative or deceptive trading have been replaced by a general principle that firms "handle their business in a manner which is fair and consistent with good market practice".

Other new rules include a requirement that firms tell clients that they might be prejudiced by the aggregation of their order with orders of other clients, and the facility to show net prices on contract notes, provided that the amount of commission charged is also disclosed.

Rules requiring a firm to disclose material interests in a share issue which it, or a connected company, has underwritten have been considerably relaxed.

The requirement for signed client agreement letters will not come into effect on big bang. Firms simply have to give written notification to clients of matters such as the capacity on which they are acting and disclose potential conflicts of interest. Written acquiescence from the client will not be required.

Only in the case of the management of discretionary funds for clients is the Exchange insisting that client agreement letters be signed before big bang.

The Securities and Investment Board's own draft conduct of business rules insist on client agreement letters across the board, making an exception for "execution-only" clients.

The Stock Exchange says its own rules stipulating client agreement letters "should not be brought into effect until and unless the SIB's conduct of business rules make such letters mandatory".

Another new departure from the SIB's rules is that contract notes need not state the time of execution of a transaction. Instead, the Stock Exchange rules state it will be sufficient to include "a reference to the fact that the time of execution will be made available on request".

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WALL STREET

	Sep 2	Aug 29
AMR	55	56⅝
ASA	38¾	34¾
Allied Signal	40⅛	41⅞
Allied Strs	48½	50½
Allis Chlmrs	3⅛	3½
Alcoa	37¼	37
Amax Inc	14½	14¾
Am'rda Hs	20⅛	20⅞
Am Brands	90¾	93⅛
Am Can	87¾	88½
Am Cynm'd	84¾	86½
Am El Pwr	30¼	30⅞
Am Express	64½	65⅛
Am Home	90⅞	91⅞
Am Motors	2¾	2¾
Am St'nrd	38⅞	38⅞
Am Teleph	24½	24⅞
Amoco	67¾	68½
Armco Steel	7⅛	7⅛
Asarco	15	14½
Ashland Oil	59⅝	59⅛
At Richfield	57⅞	57½
Avon Prods	34⅞	35
Bkrs Tst NY	50½	50⅞
Bankamer	12½	12⅜
Bk of Bston	44⅛	44⅛
Bank of NY	66⅝	67
Beth Steel	9½	8½
Boeing	59⅞	60⅛
Bse Cascde	60	60¼
Brden	48	48¾
Bg Warner	33¼	34⅛
Brist Myers	76½	78
BP	40⅛	40¼
Burl'ton Ind	35⅛	36½
Burl'ton Ntn	52⅛	53⅞
Burroughs	72¼	73½
Cmpbell Sp	63½	66¼
Can Pacific	10⅞	10⅜
Caterpiller	50	49⅞
Celanese	218	226
Central SW	37	37⅛
Champion	26	27⅞
Chase Man	40⅞	41½
Chm Bk NY	48¼	48¾
Chevron	44¼	44¼
Chrysler	38¾	38½
Citicorp	55	56⅝
Clark Equip	18¾	19
Coca Cola	36½	37⅛
Colgate	39¼	39⅞
CBS	140¼	141¾
C'mbia Gas	41½	42⅛
Cmb'tn Eng	30¼	30¾
Comwlth Ed	34½	34¾
Cons Edis	50⅝	52
Cn Nat Gas	31½	32⅞
Cons Power	12⅜	12⅜
Cntrl Data	24⅞	25¼
Corning Gl	55½	58¾
CPC Intl	65¾	68¾
Crane	29	30
Crn Zeller	49⅝	49⅝
Dart & Kraft	62⅛	62½
Deere	24½	25⅛
Delta Air	41¼	42⅞
Detroit Ed	18	18
Digital Eq	102⅞	101
Disney	43⅞	45⅞
Dow Chem	56¾	56½
Dresser Ind	18	17⅞
Duke Power	49¼	50⅞
Du Pont	81⅛	82⅞
Eastern Air	8¼	8⅜
Estm Kodak	55⅞	56⅞
Eaton Corp	71¼	70⅞
Emerson El	86⅞	87½

	Sep 2	Aug 29
Firestone	24½	24⅞
Fst Chicago	29½	30⅞
Fst Int Bncp	62¼	62½
Fst Penn C	7⅛	8
Ford	58⅞	59⅞
FT Wachva	42	42
GAF Corp	34⅞	33⅞
GTE Corp	58⅞	58½
Gen Corp	76¾	76⅞
Gen Dy'mcs	73¾	75
Gen Electric	75¾	76⅞
Gen Inst	21⅛	21½
Gen Mills	86½	86⅞
Gen Motors	70⅞	72
Gn Pb Ut ny	24½	24⅞
Genesco	3⅞	3⅞
Georgia Pac	33¼	34⅞
Gillete	44⅞	45¼
Goodrich	39¾	40⅞
Goodyear	35⅞	34⅞
Gould Inc	21	21
Grace	49¼	50⅞
Gt Att & Tac	23¾	25½
Gr'hnd	31⅛	31⅞
Gruman Cor	25	25⅞
Gulf & West	69¾	71⅞
Heinz H.J.	46¼	46⅞
Hercules	55¾	56½
H'lett-Pkrd	46	46⅞
Honeywell	69½	71⅞
IC Inds	27⅞	28⅞
Ingersoll	58¼	59½
Inland Steel	19½	17⅞
IBM	135½	136⅞
INCO	12⅞	12⅞
Int Paper	68	67⅞
Int Tel Tel	53⅞	54
Irving Bank	56	55⅞
Jhnsn & Jhn	71	73⅞
Kaiser Alum	17⅞	17⅛
Kerr McGee	28⅞	29⅞
Kmb'ly Clrk	83	85⅞
K Mart	50¾	51⅞
Kroger	60⅞	63⅞
L.T.V. Corp	2⅞	2½
Litton	76⅞	78
Lockheed	48⅞	48
Lucky Strs	24½	25⅞
Man H'nver	46⅞	47⅞
Manville Cp	2⅞	2⅞
Mapco	48⅞	48⅞
Marine Mid	51¼	51⅞
Mrt Marietta	46⅞	47⅞
Masco	28⅞	30⅞
McDonalds	61⅞	62⅞
McDonnell	83	86⅞
Mead	55½	56⅞
Merck	110⅞	115⅞
Minnsta Mng	110⅞	112⅞
Mobil Oil	35¾	35⅞
Monsanto	70	71⅞
Morgan J.P.	93½	95½
Motorola	40⅞	42
NCR Corp	52¾	54½
NL Indstrs	4⅞	5
Nat Distirs	38	39
Nat Med Ent	24⅞	24
Nat Smcndt	10⅞	10⅞
Norfolk Sth	79⅞	81⅞
NW Bancrp	38¾	39⅞
Occidnt Pet	29	29½
Ogden	41¼	41½
Olin Corp	43¾	44⅞
Owens-Ill	43	43
Pac Gas El	27	27⅞
Pan Am	5½	5⅞
Penney J.C.	76⅞	78⅞

	Sep 2	Aug 29
Pfizer	67	68⅞
Phelps Dge	21½	20
Philip Mrs	75	76
Phillips Pet	10½	10⅞
Polaroid	66⅞	68⅞
PPG Ind	67⅞	69⅞
Prctr Gmbl	78⅞	80
Pb S E & G	44⅞	45⅞
Raytheon	66⅞	65⅞
Rynlds Met	43⅞	43⅞
Rockwell Int	41½	42⅞
Royal Dutch	91⅞	89⅞
Safeways	60⅞	62⅞
Sara Lee	67½	68
SFE Sopac	29⅞	30⅞
Schl'berger	33⅞	33⅞
Scott Paper	62⅞	63⅞
Seagram	58⅞	60⅞
Sears Rbck	44⅞	46
Shell Trans	56⅞	55⅞
Singer	56⅞	57⅞
Smthkln Bk	89⅞	90⅞
Sony	20⅞	21⅞
Sth Cal Ed	36⅞	38⅞
Sperry Corp	75⅞	76⅞
Std Oil Ohio	48⅞	48⅞
Sterling Drg	48⅞	50⅞
Stevens JP	36⅞	36
Sun Comp	53⅞	54⅞
Teledyne	316⅞	321⅞
Tenneco	40⅞	41⅞
Texaco	33⅞	33⅞
Texas E Cor	28⅞	28⅞
Texas Inst	121	121½
Texas Utils	36⅞	38⅞
Textron	58	59
Travlrs Cor	47	48⅞
TRW Inc	97⅞	99⅞
UAL Inc	55⅞	56⅞
Unilever NV	225⅞	224
Un Carbide	22⅞	22⅞
Un Pac Cor	58⅞	59⅞
Utd Brands	29⅞	28⅞
USG Corp	43⅞	40⅞
Utd Technol	48	45⅞
USX Corp	18⅞	18⅞
Unocal	22	21⅞
Jim Walter	51⅞	51⅞
Wrner Lmbt	59⅞	59⅞
Wells Fargo	112⅞	113⅞
W'tghse El	58	57⅞
Weyerh'ser	35⅞	36⅞
Whirlpool	71⅞	74
Woolworth	42⅞	43⅞
Xerox Corp	55⅞	57
Zenith	23⅞	25

CANADIAN PRICES

	Sep 2	Aug 29
Abitibi	22½	22¾
Alcn Alum	42½	42¾
Algoma Stl	13½	13¾
Can Pacific	15¾	14¾
Cominco	13	13⅞
Con Bathrst	24⅞	24½
Hkr/Sid Can	27½	27⅞
Hdsn B Min	27⅞	27¼
Imasco	33⅞	33⅞
Imperial Oil	43¼	43⅞
In Pipe	41	40⅞
Ryl Trustco	33¼	33⅞
Seagram	82	84⅞
Steel Co	21⅞	21⅞
Thmsn N 'A'	30⅞	30½
Vanty Corp	2.95	3.05

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Early dip for Dow

New York (Reuter) – Wall Street shares yesterday resumed the sell-off that began late in Tuesday's session.

Analysts said that firm oil and gold prices continued to ignite fears of a resurgence of inflation further down the line.

Mining companies continued strong for a second day and oil shares joined in.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 1.41 to 1868.95 by mid-morning as declines led advances by a seven-to-four margin on a volume of 16 million shares.

Among the hardest hit of the 30 Dow Industrial shares, International Business Machines was down ⅛ at 135¾, General Motors down ¼ at 70⅛, and Minnesota Mining down ½ at 109⅝ while General Electric edged up ¼ to 76 and Merck was up ⅞ at 111¾.

Household International was strong for the second consecutive day, showing a gain of 1⅛ on volume of 59,000 shares at 51⅛.

Another company with a big finance subsidiary, Beneficial Corp, was up 2 at 75. Mr Robert Raiff, an analyst at CJ Lawrence, discussed the possible sale price of Beneficial, which put itself on the auction block. He pegged its value per share in the $80 range.

Earlier estimates valued the company at as much as $100 a share. Drug shares were mostly lower, computer and airline shares were mixed and oils were mostly higher. Among the latter, Exxon, Chevron, Texaco, Atlantic Richfield, and Royal Dutch all showed fractional gains.

Hillsdown ahead 45% at half time

By Richard Lander

Hillsdown Holdings, the acquisition-hungry food and furnishing conglomerate, came in slightly ahead of market expectations yesterday with pretax profits of £19.6 million for the first half of this year – 45 per cent up on the same period last year.

Coming a week after Hillsdown added two more companies to its stable for £76 million, analysts were impressed by the fact that more than four-fifths of the profits expansion came from organic growth. The shares added 2p to 310p as the City raised its full-year profit forecasts to about £45.5 million, compared with £33.4 million last time.

The results, achieved on a 31 per cent rise in turnover to £686 million, reflected higher results in six of the group's seven operating divisions.

The biggest gains were made in food processing and distribution, where operating profits trebled to £4.7 million and furniture and plywood distribution, where the contribution soared from £900,000 to £3.3 million.

The only section to show a decline was the fresh meat and bacon operation, where profits fell by one-third to £1.4 million because of stiff competition in the red meat industry.

Hillsdown is increasing its interim dividend from 1.2p to 1.4p and making a one-for-three scrip issue.

COMPANY NEWS

CRH up by 15%

Cement-Roadstone Holdings, Eire's principal supplier of cement which also has considerable interests overseas, yesterday reported pretax profits up by 15.1 per cent to Ir£10.76 million (£9.77 million) for the first six months of 1986. Energy savings and the continuing benefit of recent rationalization measures were significant factors.

Turnover slipped by 8.5 per cent to Ir£233.8 million. The interim dividend is being increased from 1.15p to 1.27p.

By the end of this year, cement sales in the Irish republic could be 53 per cent below 1979 levels and at the lowest since 1968. In the first half of 1986, Cement-Roadstone experienced volume declines of 11.5 per cent.

Other products in the domestic market suffered similar volume decreases as cement, but profits in Eire held up reasonably well overall.

ing has continued at a high level and the order intake has been most encouraging. Present indications are that 1986/87 will prove another successful year.

● ALLIED PLANT GROUP: The group has acquired the mechanical handling division of Geoffrey E Macpherson for £504,248. This extends the market area of the APG forklift division to Nottingham and Derbyshire.

● SQUIRREL HORN: Half-year to June 30. Turnover £3.57 million (£3.3 million). Pretax profit £27,477 (loss £59,573). No tax (nil). Profit per ordinary stock unit 0.005p (loss 0.012p).

● LAMBERT HOWARTH GROUP: Half-year to June 29. Interim dividend 2p (1.5p). Turnover £11.9 million (£10.73 million). Pretax profit £559,000 (£427,000). Earnings per share 6.7p (6.5p). The directors are confident that the profit improvement will continue

● SHIMADZU CORPORATION: The company plans to issue $100 million (£67 million) of guaranteed notes, due 1991, with warrants to subscribe for shares of common stock of the company through an international syndicate lead-managed by Nikko Securities (Europe). The notes are expected to carry a coupon of 2⅞ per cent, payable annually in arrear on September 25, starting in 1987. The issue price will be 100 per cent.

In brief

● H & J QUICK: Interim dividend 0.75p (0.6p) for the half-year to June 30. Turnover £60.14 million (£51.04 million). Pretax profit £506,000 (£249,000). Earnings per share 8.6p (3.91p). The board is realistic about prospects for the second half, which is traditionally tough.

● JAMES NEILL HOLDINGS: First half of 1986. Pretax profit £523,000 (£2.5 million). UK sales £23.68 million (£15.24 million), exports £7.75 million (£7.97 million), less transfers to group companies overseas of £1.55 million (£2.34 million); overseas sales £12.8 million (£6.45 million). Interim dividend 2.5p (same). Earnings per share 0.8p (12.8p). The 1985 comparatives do not include Spear and Jackson International, which was acquired last Dec. In spite of the setbacks of the first half, the board believes the group is back on course and that prospects are good.

● ARMITAGE BROTHERS: Dividend 35p (30p) for the year to May 31 last. Turnover £16.57 million (£15.64 million). Pretax profit £453,000 (£358,000). Earnings per share 63p (62p).

● INSTEM: Half-year to June 27. Interim dividend 1p (0.75p). Turnover £3.64 million (£2.94 million). Pretax profit £480,000 (£379,000). Earnings per share 6.69p (5p). The board reports that during the first half, the company achieved a record order intake for any six-month period.

● COMBINED LEASE FINANCE: Interim dividend 0.45p, in line with the policy set out in the prospectus. Turnover £11.79 million (£7.1 million) for the six months to June 30. Pretax profit £1.06 million (£502,000). Earnings per share 6.44p (5.09p adjusted).

● REA BROTHERS: The offers for all three classes of capital have been declared unconditional in all respects and remain open. Acceptances have so far been received as follows: 25.59 million ordinary shares (94.9 per cent), 200,000 4.2 per cent preference shares (100 per cent), 600,442 5.425 per cent preference shares (99.2 per cent).

● T COWIE: The company's subsidiary, Eastern Tractors (Holdings), has bought John Riches (Agricultural), an offshoot of Cargill UK and a distributor of agricultural machinery in East Anglia. The price was £367,000 cash. In the year to May 31 last, Riches made, on its ordinary activities, a loss of £160,000, before an extraordinary income of £250,000.

● INTERNATIONAL SIGNAL & CONTROL GROUP: Mr James Guerin, the chairman, told the annual meeting that the five months since the end of the last financial year had been a period of high activity. The company has acquired Electro-Magnetic Processes and expects to formally complete the purchase of Cardion Electronics within the next few days. These two will be a significant addition to the group's capabilities. Trad-

TEMPUS

P&O rides high on the profit waves

A 19 per cent improvement in interim profits year on year is good enough by any standards. But P&O shareholders can look forward to what promises to be an even better second half.

In the first half, operating profit was £80 million. The housebuilding, construction and development division more than doubled its contribution from £9.6 million to £20.6 million. Bovis is very strong in the active South of England market, and its policy of concentrating building and marketing effort on second-time buyers has been paying off.

It has been strongly signalled for some time now that last year's container and bulk shipping results were exceptional and would not be repeated. In the event, operating profit from this division halved from £20 million to £9.8 million.

Interim pretax profits of £69.8 million did not include any contribution from Stock Conversion bought at the mid-year stage. Nor did it include the balance of Overseas Containers. P&O purchased the minority interests in OCL at the end of May.

Had these two companies been wholly-owned subsidiaries for the full six months, pretax profit would have been £87.9 million, an increase of 50 per cent. These two companies will be accounted for as full subsidiaries from now on.

Second-half profits will also benefit from the seasonal bias to P&O's earnings pattern. Housebuilding, in particular, is heavily weighted towards the second half, reflecting the impact of winter on the rate of completions.

Allowing for these factors, P&O should be able to report up to £165 million pretax for the full year. Recent strong performance has taken the share price up to 538p, putting the shares on a prospective multiple of 15.5 times earnings. The prospective 4.9 per cent yield underpins the share price at these levels, but it will be difficult to make porgress from here in the short term.

Wilson (Connolly)

Wilcon sells its homes for £37,000, £10,000 less than the national average published by the Halifax Building Society this week. However, the company's margins are the envy of the industry, standing at 22.5 per cent in 1984.

Housebuilding accounts for about 85 per cent of the profits of Wilson (Connolly), the parent group.

Wilson concentrates on quality rather than quantity, avoiding the "boom or bust" approach which has been the downfall of many of its competitors. Its 10-year compound growth rate for pretax profits and earnings per share is an impressive 30 per cent.

Wilson's return on capital targets set at the time of land purchases of well over 20 per cent assumes no inflation in house prices. This policy has been rewarded in the last few years.

The Halifax draws attention to a stabilizing of prices but its forecasters are still expecting price increases of over 10 per cent in 1987. Wilson is confident of the outlook for the market, particularly in the run-up to an election.

With a better half from contracting and an improved return from property, 1986 profits should reach £25 million. The shares have performed well and are on a premium rating. This is well deserved.

However, those looking in the bargain basement should consider equally attractive companies such as Fairbriar and Persimmon selling on p/e ratios a third lower.

GRE

At the tail end of the insurers' interim reporting season came two sets of satisfactory, if uninspiring, results. Both Guardian Royal Exchange and Sun Alliance turned in figures which were, if anything, slightly better than expected.

On a day when the composite sector looked weak, the market marked GRE shares down 20p to 859p. That seems unfair given that GRE's results showed that last year's poor performance was a one-off

Largely by jacking up premium rates sharply, GRE's crucial United Kingdom underwriting result improved from a £37.7 million loss last year to a £26.6 million loss this time. At the same time United Kingdom premium income rose at the expense of some loss in market share.

This enabled the company to improve pretax profits from £800,000 to £56 million over the six months to June 30, helped by an 11 per cent increase in investment income.

GRE has not yet solved the problems on personal lines which continue to produce the lion's share of British underwriting losses. But with 1p dividend rise to 10p and with a yield of around 5 per cent the shares look respectable, though without the spectacular recovery potential of those with a bigger US exposure.

Sun Alliance pleased the market with a pretax profit turnround to £43 million from a £15 million loss last year, with the overall underwriting loss sharply reduced. Even more encouraging was the huge 30 per cent dividend increase, which no doubt helped the company's shares up 5p to 732p – the only composite to rise yesterday.

Though it underlines the strength of Sun Alliance's balance sheet, the rise is somewhat illusory since the move is meant to reduce the disparity between interim and final payments. It does not follow that this year's final will jump by the same amount.

GRE

Interim Statement

The unaudited estimated results of the Guardian Royal Exchange Group for the six months ended 30th June 1986 are as follows:

	First 6 months 1986 £m	First 6 months 1985 £m	Year 1985* £m
Investment Income	97.3	93.6	193.6
Less Interest Payable	5.6	8.2	14.3
	91.7	85.4	179.3
Underwriting Results			
Short-term insurance business	(45.6)	(85.6)	(154.3)
Long-term insurance business	9.9	7.6	19.1
	(35.7)	(78.0)	(135.2)
Profit before loss on discontinued international professional indemnity business, taxation and extraordinary item	56.0	7.4	44.1
Loss on discontinued international professional indemnity business	–	(6.6)	(40.6)
Profit before taxation and extraordinary item	56.0	0.8	3.5
Less			
taxation	21.1	5.6	15.0
minority interests	0.9	1.2	2.3
	22.0	6.8	17.3
Profit (loss) after taxation and before extraordinary item	34.0	(6.0)	(13.8)
Extraordinary item – contingency claims provision in respect of discontinued business	–	–	(55.0)
Profit (loss) after taxation and extraordinary item	34.0	(6.0)	(68.8)
Ordinary dividend	16.0	14.2	45.6
Profit (loss) transferred to from retained profits	18.0	(20.2)	(114.4)
Earnings per ordinary share (after taxaton and before extraordinary item)	21.3p	(3.8)p	(8.7)p

Extracted from the Company's full Accounts for the year 1985 which received an unqualified Auditors' Report and which have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

Results by Territories (before taxation)	First 6 months 1986 Net Premiums £m	Underwriting Result £m	Investment Income £m	First 6 months 1985 Net Premiums £m	Underwriting Result £m	Investment Income £m
Australia	35.0	(5.6)	7.2	42.9	(4.8)	7.0
Canada	60.5	(0.9)	5.8	55.6	(8.5)	6.7
Germany	118.9	(7.4)	11.2	100.7	(4.6)	9.1
Republic of Ireland	21.2	(0.1)	3.1	15.2	0.5	2.1
South Africa	15.7	(0.7)	1.7	23.2	(0.8)	2.4
U.K.	274.4	(26.6)	37.7	228.7	(36.8)	33.2
U.S.A.	82.4	(2.9)	9.3	97.7	(13.5)	8.1
Miscellaneous	113.0	(1.2)	15.7	102.5	(17.1)*	16.8
	721.1	(45.6)	91.7	666.5	(85.6)	85.4

Excluding loss on discontinued international professional indemnity business

The territorial results are stated after reinsurance protection from group companies including protection under the worldwide stop loss arrangements. The 'Miscellaneous' underwriting result includes this reinsurance in respect of the territories shown opposite:

	First 6 months 1986 £m	First 6 months 1985 £m
Australia	0.3	(3.8)
Canada	1.9	1.3
South Africa	0.6	0.4
U.S.A.	1.2	(4.7)
Others	1.2	(1.2)
	5.2	(8.0)

Exchange Rates	30th June 1986	30th June 1985		30th June 1986	30th June 1985
Australia	2.28	1.96	Republic of Ireland	1.12	1.27
Canada	2.13	1.75	South Africa	3.82	2.56
Germany	3.38	3.97	U.S.A.	1.53	1.31

Life New Business	First 6 months 1986 £m	First 6 months 1985 £m
New Sums Assured	2,789.3	2,657.2
New Annuities per annum	70.4	69.4
New Annual Premiums	34.1	31.8
New Single Premiums	135.2	101.2

The effect of exchange rate movements has been to decrease net premiums by £23.1m and investment income by £2.9m and to increase the short-term business underwriting loss by £0.1m. After allowing for the effect of exchange rate movements, the underlying growth in net premiums was 12% and in investment income was 11%.

The benefits of earlier premium rating action on commercial lines business are now emerging but the benefits of similar action on personal lines business have been affected by increased claims frequency and costs. As a consequence of the positive steps which have been taken, the underwriting results in Canada, the United Kingdom and the U.S.A. show significant improvements when compared with the underwriting results for the first six months of 1985. The effect of the premium re-rating action in Australia has been offset by the impact of cyclone and major fire losses, an increase in motor repair costs and increased competition for business following the loss of workers' compensation business to the private sector. The underwriting experience in Germany has been rather less favourable than for the corresponding period in 1985.

The rate of growth in investment income has been assisted by increased cash flows from the improved underwriting experience.

The profits from long-term business continue to make a valuable contribution and show a 30% increase on the profits for the same period in 1985.

Dividend

An interim dividend in respect of the year 1986 will be paid on 6th January 1987 of 10.0p per share (1985 – 9p per share) which, with the tax credit available to eligible shareholders, is equivalent to 14.08p per share (1985 – 12.86p per share). This dividend will be paid to holders of ordinary shares whose names appear on the register on 28th November 1986.

Guardian Royal Exchange Group

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BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	10.75%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Continental Trust	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP

INTERIM STATEMENT

The estimated results for the six months ended 30th June 1986 are set out below with the comparative figures for 1985.

	6 months to 30th June 1986 (unaudited) £m	6 months to 30th June 1985 (unaudited) £m	Year 1985 (audited) £m
Premium Income			
General Insurance	958.3	826.1	1,778.5
Long-term Insurance	305.6	285.9	576.6
	1,263.9	1,112.0	2,355.1
General insurance underwriting loss	(73.0)	(123.8)	(183.4)
Long-term insurance profits	11.5	10.0	20.9
Investment and other income	104.5	98.8	200.2
PROFIT (LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION	43.0	(15.0)	37.7
Taxation	9.9	3.2	2.8
PROFIT (LOSS) AFTER TAXATION	33.1	(18.2)	34.9
Minority interests	3.5	2.4	7.2
PROFIT (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS	29.6	(20.6)	27.7
EARNINGS PER SHARE	15.0p	(10.4)p	14.0p

TERRITORIAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL INSURANCE RESULTS

	Premium income £m	Underwriting result £m	Premium income £m	Underwriting result £m	Premium income £m	Underwriting result £m
United Kingdom & Ireland	498.5	(35.8)	407.2	(63.1)	824.5	(71.0)
Europe	122.8	(12.5)	94.8	(13.4)	199.1	(30.8)
U.S.A.	106.4	(3.9)	91.2	(6.9)	180.2	(18.0)
Canada	49.5	(0.5)	47.6	(10.9)	92.8	(17.8)
Australia	28.2	(9.8)	32.8	(8.9)	66.5	(16.7)
Other overseas areas	66.5	(5.2)	63.9	(9.8)	120.8	(11.7)
Reinsurance	11.9	(3.3)	14.3	(6.4)	29.2	(14.8)
Marine and Aviation (worldwide)	74.5	(2.0)	74.3	(4.4)	146.4	(2.6)
	958.3	(73.0)	826.1	(123.8)	1,659.5	(183.4)
Reinsurance from Chubb Corporation					119.0	–
					1,778.5	(183.4)

UNDERWRITING RESULTS

General business premium income increased by 16.0%. The underlying growth after allowing for currency fluctuations was 19.1%.

At Home, results have shown a marked improvement since the setback caused by the severe weather in the early part of the year and, despite an increase in large fire losses, an underwriting profit was achieved in the second quarter. While motor business remains substantially unprofitable there are some signs that rating increases are beginning to take effect.

In Europe there was a reduced loss from Holland but underwriting experience there remains generally poor. The results of other European countries show little change.

The improvement in the U.S.A. has continued and most lines produced better results.

Market conditions in Canada have also been improving and results have benefited both from rate increases and from lower claims frequencies.

The increased underwriting loss in Australia reflects a sharp deterioration in motor experience and heavier commercial property claims.

Elsewhere there have been encouraging improvements in a number of territories.

INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income increased by 5.7%. The underlying growth, allowing for the effect of exchange movements, was 10.9%.

DIVIDEND

The Directors have declared an interim dividend for 1986 of 7.5p per share (1985 – 5.75p) – an increase of 30.43%. Part of this increase is to reduce the disparity between the interim and final dividends and it does not follow that the final dividend will be increased correspondingly. The dividend, costing £14.8m, will be paid on 5th January 1987 to shareholders registered on 5th December 1986.

LONG-TERM INSURANCE

New Life and Annuity business (Home and Overseas):

	6 months to 30th June 1986 £m	6 months to 30th June 1985 £m	Year 1985 £m
Annual premiums	40.6	44.7	83.9
Single premiums	76.3	80.6	155.3

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Fears on inflation and New York bond prices tumble hit gilts

By Michael Clark

Government securities beat a hasty retreat yesterday, with investors continuing to take an increasingly pessimistic view of the economy.

Falls of at least £1 were recorded at the longer end of the market as the growing prospect of higher inflation continued to take its toll. Analysis claim higher petrol prices and the recent fall in the value of the pound on the foreign exchanges will push prices higher.

The gilt-edged market took its cue yesterday from New York where bond prices were sharply lower in nervous trading with investors also worried about the impact of higher prices on the US economy.

● The Kleinwort Grieveson analyst Mr Chris Marsay remains bullish about prospects for Glaxo and says some brokers' fears about growth prospects are unfounded. The company's penetration of the US market continues and Mr Marsay predicts that pretax profits, due next month, will rise from £403 million to £560 million. He is looking for £725 million next year. The shares rose 10p to £10.05.

Last week's huge trade deficit is also still having an adverse effect on sentiment. But, as one London dealer pointed out, the Americans still have the benefit of lower interest rates. The gilts market has been pinning its hopes on a further cut in bank base rates thoughout the summer, but has been thwarted by the Bank of England, which is reluctant to sanction any cuts just yet.

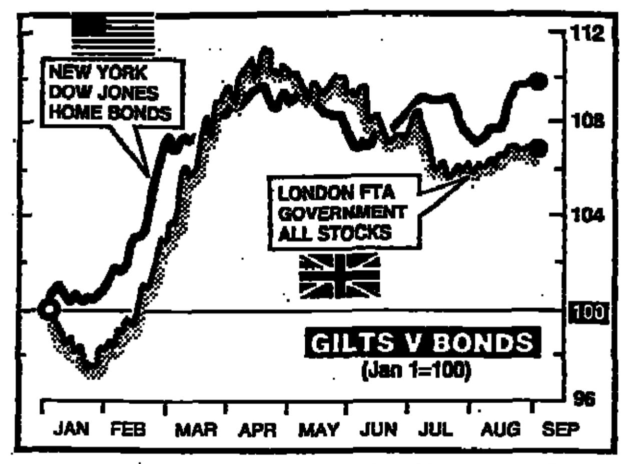
As a result, investors have again been turning to their favourite hedges in times of trouble and this has done little to restore confidence in the gilts market.

The price of precious metals have again been enjoying renewed support. Platinum again led the way higher and was closely followed by gold. The bullion price surged through the $400-an-ounce level on world markets yesterday for the first time since March, 1984. It closed $13.75 up at $406.75 — its highest level for about three years.

Gold shares responded enthusiastically with leaders like **Anglo American Gold** $3¼ up at $62½, **Vaal Reefs** $5 at $72¼ and **Randfontein** $6 at $81¼. The platinum producers saw **Impala** rise 40 cents to 1201 cents and **Rustenburg** 49 cents to 1200 cents.

But the rest of the equity market spent a quieter day after shaking off the overnight setback on Wall Street. The FT index of 30 shares rose by 4.6 points to 1,324.6. The FT-SE 100 index closed 2.9 points higher at 1,670.7.

Confirmation that **Elders IXL**, the Australian brewer, had been given the green light to bid for **Allied-Lyons** came as little surprise to the market. Allied dipped 2p to 351p on the news. In the past few weeks, the shares have risen by nearly 50p in anticipation that Elders will renew its assault. Some brokers have even predicted that Elders will bounce back with an offer of up to 400p a share, valuing Allied at £2.7 billion. However, the market expects Allied to put up fierce resistance to any new offer. Elders' shares, which are quoted in London, fell 3p to 198p.



Hanson Trust shed 1p to 192p as reports continued to circulate that it was in talks with Anheuser-Busch, America's biggest brewer, about the sale of its own Courage brewing business which it acquired following the £2.1 billion takeover of Imperial Group earlier this year.

Marketmen claim that Hanson may be asking about £1.3 billion for Courage, but this may be regarded as a little on the high side in the wake of the Monopolies Commission's proposed inquiry into the tied-house system for pubs.

The rest of the brewers closed mixed after a quiet day. Bass firmed 2p to 765p, while **South African Breweries** advanced 9p to 202p, **Vaux** hardened 2p to 390p and **Wolverhampton & Dudley** a similar amount to 545p. **Grand Metropolitan**, the Watney Mann and Truman group, slipped by 3p to 398p.

HAT Group, currently the target of an unwanted bid from **BET**, recovered an early fall, to close all-square at 139p. BET has again been buying HAT shares in the market and now speaks for 10.3 million shares, or 13.42 per cent. BET rose 6p to 416p.

Shares of **Foseco Minsep** have been a disappointing market of late and at present are standing well below their year's high of 298p. They slipped another 1p to 244p yesterday, unperturbed by the news that discretionary clients of Mercury Warburg Investment Management have increased their holding to 12.37 million shares (15.08 per cent). The shares have a big following among analysts, but have failed to live up to expectations.

Still hoping that Goodman Field will eventually bid, despite recent denials, **Ranks Hovis McDougall** rallied from an early mark-down, closing 6p up on the day at 269p. Last month, Goodman, an Australian food producer, bought a 14 per cent stake in RHM from S & W Berisford.

Meanwhile, the fast-growing **Hillsdown Holdings** has again pleased shareholders. Yesterday's interim figures showed pretax profits soaring from £13.5 million to £19.6 million and earnings a share up by nearly 50 per cent to 8.2p.

Dealers are claiming that the shares of Underwoods, the high street chemist, appear to have been oversold recently. Yesterday, the price rallied 8p to 181p, amid speculation that the group may be about to hit the acquisition trail. There is talk in the market that Underwoods' board may be considering an ambitious bid for its larger rival Superdrug, which was down 5p at 475p.

Shareholders have been rewarded with an interim payment of 1.4p and the board is proposing a one-for-three scrip issue. The group is looking for another strong performance in the second half.

ASDA-MFI rose 4p to 158p. Scrimgeour Vickers, the broker, has just published a circular on the company and rates the shares as a "buy."

Nervous selling hit the big four clearing banks, but prices later steadied and closed above their worst levels of the day. **Barclays** slipped by 5p to 512p, after 509p, **Lloyds** by 2p to 462p, after 459p, **Midland** by 5p to 572p, after 569p and **National Westminster** by 6p to 559p.

It was a similar story throughout the rest of the financial sector. Among the insurance composites, **Guardian Royal Exchange** dropped 20p to 859p, despite announcing an increase in interim pretax profits from £7.4 million to £56 million. But **Sun Alliance** managed a 5p rise to 732p, following the half-time figures showing a return to the black with pretax profits of £43 million against a loss last year of £15 million.

Elsewhere, **General Accident** fell 13p to 864p, **Commercial Union** 3p to 302p and **Royal Insurance** 5p to 855p, after 847p.

Adam ahead

Adam & Co, the Edinburgh private bank, yesterday announced pretax profits up from £51,000 to £112,000 for the year to June 30. It is also merging with Continental Trust, a London private bank, which will give it a London office for the first time.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Angia Secs (115p)	163 -1
Ashley (L) (135p)	200 -1
BBB Design (67p)	68
Beaverco (145p)	148
Borland (125p)	159 -1
Broad St (43p)	56
Chelsea Man (125p)	130
Coated Electrodes (84p)	113
Colne (110p)	120 -1
Evans Halshaw (120p)	117
Fletcher Dennys (70p)	68 -2
GT Management (210p)	206
Guthrie Corp (150p)	171
Harrison (150p)	160 -4
Hile Ergonom (92p)	90
Hughes Food (20p)	24½ +½
Lon utd Inv (330p)	421 -4
M6 Cash & C (100p)	82 +1
Marina Dev (110p)	95
Morgan Grenfell (500p)	448 -2
Shield (72p)	190 -5
Stanley Leisure (110p)	121
TV-AM (130p)	165 +1
Tendy Inds (112p)	144 -1
Thames TV (190p)	237
Tibbet & Britten (120p)	150
Treas 2½%I/I 2016 =97	£42⅝ +⅛
Unilock (63p)	69
Windsmoor (106p)	106
Yelverton (38p)	¼

RIGHTS ISSUES

Aid Irish Bk N/P	17
BBA Gp N/P	17 +3
Berkeley Tech N/P	7
Brown & Tawse N/P	6
Cityvision F/P	28 -1
Forward Tech N/P	5
Sedgwick N/P	27 -2
Sutcliff, Speak N/P	21
Television Sth F/P	237
Top Value F/P	76

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Sep 86	90.18	90.19	90.15	90.17	336
Dec 86	90.65	90.71	90.61	90.63	2339
Mar 87	90.74	90.78	90.69	90.70	337
Jun 87	90.65	90.65	90.61	90.62	30
Sep 87	90.35	90.35	90.32	90.32	5
Dec 87	90.15	90.15	90.15	90.15	10
Previous day's total open interest 15031					
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous day's total open interest 22915			
Sep 86	94.23	94.24	94.19	94.20	611
Dec 86	94.24	94.26	94.16	94.20	6058
Mar 87	94.14	94.18	94.09	94.11	1028
Jun 87	93.94	93.99	93.88	93.91	723
US Treasury Bond		Previous day's total open interest 5672			
Sep 86	99-11	100-11	98-30	98-30	867
Dec 86	98-30	99-15	98-06	98-08	8931
Mar 87	NT	—	—	97-10	0
Short Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 1273			
Sep 86	101-30	101-30	101-20	101-19	80
Dec 86	101-30	101-30	101-12	101-12	257
Mar 87	NT	—	—	101-12	0
Long Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 15419			
Sep 86	121-06	121-06	120-03	120-03	341
Dec 86	121-02	121-11	119-24	120-06	13486
Mar 87	NT	—	—	120-06	0
Jun 87	NT	—	—	120-06	0
FT-SE 100		Previous day's total open interest 2447			
Sep 86	169.30	170.50	169.00	170.30	427
Dec 86	172.40	173.60	172.40	173.55	32

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Aug 4	Aug 15	Nov 6	Nov 17
Aug 18	Sep 5	Nov 20	Dec 1
Sep 8	Sep 19	Dec 4	Dec 15

Call options were taken out on: 3/9/86 Prestwich, Ferranti, Amstrad, Downibrae, Thompson, T-Line, Conroy, Banro, Wilaire, Good Relations, BOMS, Maclellan, Claremont, Greenwich Res., THF.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range September 3	Market rates close September 3	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4918-1.5010	1.5000-1.5010	0.53-0.52prem	1.53-1.48prem
Montreal	2.0707-2.0819	2.0790-2.0819	0.40-0.30prem	0.96-0.80prem
Ams'dam	3.4159-3.4454	3.4238-3.4283	1⅛-1⅛prem	4⅛-3⅞prem
Brussels	62.57-63.26	62.88-63.07	18-11prem	47-38prem
C'phgen	11.4772-11.5501	11.4772-11.4938	1⅜-⅝prem	2½-⅞prem
Dublin	1.1020-1.1077	1.1031-1.1041	15prem-13dis	4prem-43dis
Frankfurt	3.0268-3.0529	3.0353-3.0395	1⅛-1⅞prem	4⅞-4prem
Lisbon	215.81-219.52	217.88-219.52	99-163dis	265-482dis
Madrid	198.20-199.93	199.20-199.48	50-84dis	118-180dis
Milan	2089.60-2105.70	2095.50-2099.90	1-5dis	7-11dis
Oslo	10.8921-10.9348	10.9200-10.9348	3⅝-4⅜dis	11½-12⅝dis
Paris	9.9204-10.0110	9.9600-9.9771	2⅝-2⅛prem	6⅝-5⅞prem
St'khlm	10.2783-10.3173	10.2926-10.3069	⅜-⅛prem	1⅝-⅞prem
Tokyo	230.43-232.66	231.60-231.98	1⅜-⅝prem	3-2⅜prem
Vienna	21.35-21.47	21.40-21.42	9⅝-8⅜prem	25⅝-22⅞ prem
Zurich	2.4446-2.4681	2.4508-2.4549	1⅜-1⅛prem	3⅝-3⅞prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 71.4 (day's range 71.3-71.6).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.5480-1.5540
Australia dollar	2.4408-2.4453
Bahrain dinar	0.5625-0.5665
Brazil cruzado*	20.59-20.72
Cyprus pound	0.7320-0.7420
Finland marka	7.2965-7.3365
Greece drachma	200.20-202.20
Hong Kong dollar	11.6663-11.6750
India rupee	18.60-18.80
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4350-0.4390
Malaysia dollar	3.8822-3.8882
Mexico peso	1060-1110
New Zealand dollar	3.0645-3.0793
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.5960-5.6360
Singapore dollar	3.2250-3.2287
South Africa rand	3.5023-3.5453
U A E dirham	5.4815-5.5215

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3510-1.3540
Singapore	2.1565-2.1575
Malaysia	2.5870-2.5890
Australia	0.6120-0.6127
Canada	1.3878-1.3883
Sweden	6.8850-6.8900
Norway	7.2975-7.3025
Denmark	7.7050-7.7100
West Germany	2.0370-2.0380
Switzerland	1.6475-1.6485
Netherlands	2.2990-2.3000
France	6.6700-6.6750
Japan	155.30-155.40
Italy	1405.5-1406.5
Belgium(Comm)	42.17-42.22
Hong Kong	7.8010-7.8015
Portugal	145.20-145.70
Spain	133.00-133.10
Austria	14.27-14.30

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Allied Lyons (*351)	300	55	65	78	3	7	8
	330	35	45	55	8	13	18
	360	14	25	37	22	27	32
BP (*663)	550	115	135	142	1	6	10
	600	65	95	107	6	14	18
	650	32	55	70	22	30	40
Cons Gold (*542)	420	127	134	145	2	7	12
	460	87	100	110	5	17	23
	500	53	77	87	15	22	37
Courtaulds (*282)	260	28	40	48	5	9	12
	280	16	27	36	13	17	21
	300	8	17	—	23	26	—
	330	1½	9	—	52	53	—
Com Union (*302)	280	26	36	44	3	6	9
	300	12	22	31	11	14	18
	330	2½	13	18	33	34	37
Cable & Wire (*337)	300	47	57	67	4	9	11
	325	25	40	52	9	15	22
	350	8	22	33	20	30	37
	375	3½	11	—	45	50	—
Distillers (*765)	600	180	—	—	1½	—	—
	650	130	—	—	4	—	—
	700	80	—	—	8	—	—
GEC (*184)	180	15	20	26	6	8	11
	200	6	10	15	18	20	24
	220	2	5	—	38	38	—
Grand Met (*398)	327	77	—	—	1	—	—
	355	50	—	—	3	—	—
	360	—	58	68	—	7	11
	382	35	—	—	8½	—	—
ICI (*1091)	900	207	232	—	4	5	—
	950	157	185	200	4	8	15
	1000	107	140	155	5	17	22
	1050	62	100	115	17	25	37
Land Sec (*332)	300	37	45	52	2	4	5
	330	14	25	35	7	11	13
	360	5	13	20	30	32	33
Marks & Spen (*217)	180	41	48	53	1½	2	4
	200	22	30	36	4	7	10
	220	8	14	21	10	14	17
Shell Trans (*945)	750	195	208	220	1	3	6
	800	145	160	170	2	6	13
	850	95	115	128	6	13	23
Trafalgar House (*297)	260	42	49	56	3	7	11
	280	27	35	43	8	14	17
	300	10	20	28	16	20	24

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Beecham (*418)	360	58	72	78	1½	5	8
	390	33	48	55	4	10	17
	420	12	30	38	15	30	32
	460	4	15	25	47	53	57
Boots (*223)	200	25	34	42	2	4	6
	220	10	22	30	6	11	13
	240	2	13	19	18	21	22
BTR (*320)	280	42	53	62	3	6	9
	300	—	—	48	—	—	15
	333	5	18	—	20	25	—
Bass (*765)	700	80	100	110	1½	10	15
	750	35	60	80	13	25	30
	800	7	30	50	35	40	45
Blue Circle (*568)	550	27	45	57	12	20	25
	600	5	27	42	38	40	42
	650	1	10	25	85	85	85
De Beers (*742)	550	180	190	200	3	6	15
	600	130	145	165	4	17	30
	650	90	110	130	12	32	45
	700	50	80	95	30	50	65
Dixons (*388)	300	90	100	108	1	2	3
	330	60	70	78	1½	4	6
	360	30	45	52	5	8	12
GKN (*285)	260	30	44	54	4	8	9
	280	15	31	40	7	12	14
	300	6	17	28	18	21	25
	330	1½	9	16	45	46	48
Glaxo (*1005)	900	120	155	—	5	28	—
	950	80	115	150	15	37	50
	1000	40	90	120	30	57	70
	1050	26	62	95	65	85	90
Hanson (*192)	135	59	—	—	1	—	—
	150	44	—	—	1	—	—
	160	34	40	43	1½	2½	5
	180	14½	23½	27	2	6	10
	200	4	13	17	12	16	20

	Series	Calls Sept	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Jaguar (*528)	500	33	53	65	7	17	20
	550	9	30	43	30	37	45
	600	2	13	20	75	77	82
Thorn EMI (*499)	420	87	100	110	2	4	7
	460	47	65	77	3	10	14
	500	15	35	47	12	20	27
	550	2	15	—	50	55	—
Tesco (*410)	300	115	—	—	1	—	—
	330	85	98	—	2	2	—
	360	55	70	82	2	5	8
	390	30	43	57	4	9	15

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Brit Aero (*505)	460	53	68	—	8	13	—
	500	30	50	60	28	32	40
	550	12	25	35	58	62	67
BAT Inds (*425)	360	70	85	—	2	7	—
	390	47	60	65	8	13	17
	420	25	38	45	17	23	30
	460	8	20	28	45	52	55
Barclays (*512)	460	62	77	90	5	8	13
	500	35	50	62	15	22	30
	550	12	20	32	45	50	55
Brit Telecom (*198)	180	27	32½	40	3	5	10
	200	14	20	27	10	15	20
	220	6	9½	17	23	26	30
Cadbury Schwpps (*177)	160	25	31	37	3	7	8
	180	10	19	25	10	14	16
	200	4	7	—	24	25	—
Guinness (*343)	300	52	63	70	4	7	11
	330	28	38	48	8	15	20
	360	11	22	27	27	28	30
Imperial Gr (*391)	300	93	—	—	1½	—	—
	330	63	—	—	2	—	—
	360	35	—	—	6	—	—
Ladbroke (*368)	300	68	80	—	2	3	—
	330	43	55	63	5	80	15
	360	23	29	38	15	17	25
LASMO (*133)	100	42	45	—	4	5	—
	110	33	37	—	6	8	—
	120	27	30	33	8	12	13
Midland Bank (*572)	500	87	105	115	4	7	11
	550	47	65	80	15	20	25
	600	20	30	42	40	45	50
P & O (*538)	460	80	95	—	3	8	—
	500	47	65	82	10	15	30
	550	18	35	47	25	38	43
	600	7	—	—	70	—	—
Racal (*182)	160	28	36	40	3	7	10
	180	15	22	28	10	13	18
	200	6	13	—	22	24	—
RTZ (*619)	500	127	142	—	4	8	—
	550	77	92	—	10	22	—
	600	48	60	82	27	45	50
	650	25	38	57	57	75	80
Vaal Reefs (*72)	50	22½	24½	—	1	2½	—
	60	13½	16	18½	3	4	6
	70	8	10	12	6½	8½	10

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Nov	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Lonrho (*215)	200	30	38	42	7	9	13
	218	18	—	—	12	—	—
	236	10	—	—	24	—	—
	240	—	16	—	—	34	—
	255	5	—	—	44	—	—

	Series	Calls Aug	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Puts Aug	Puts Nov	Puts Feb
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£108)	106	2⅝	—	—	5/16	—	—
	108	1 3/16	1⅜	1⅞	1⅜	2	2⅝
	110	7/16	⅝	1⅛	2⅜	2 5/16	3⅜
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£118)	114	4½	—	—	1 1/16	—	—
	116	3⅝	4⅜	—	29/32	47/16	—
	118	2½	3½	4 1/16	2⅝	63/16	4 1/16
	120	1½	2⅝	3 7/16	63/16	79/16	5⅜
	122	1 3/16	2 1/16	—	5½	99/16	—
	124	⅝	—	—	7 1/16	—	—

	Series	Calls Aug	Calls Sept	Calls Oct	Calls Nov	Puts Aug	Puts Sept	Puts Oct	Puts Nov
FT-SE Index (*1671)	1525	175	187	202	—	1	4	7	—
	1550	150	162	178	—	2	7	11	—
	1575	125	142	158	—	4	10	17	—
	1600	100	122	140	—	6	14	21	—
	1625	78	102	125	—	11	18	30	—
	1650	60	85	110	128	16	25	38	42
	1675	42	68	97	115	27	38	48	52

September 3, 1986. Total contracts 19072. Calls 14244. Puts 4828. *Underlying security price.

MONEY MARKET AND GOLD

The markets stayed quiet all round. The period rates saw the occasional spot of profit-taking as operators tended to postpone their base-rate hopes to the end of the month rather than the middle, but the effect was not great. Most dates firmed by 1/32 or 1/16, though the key, three-month interbank terms deposit stayed virtually unchanged.

Eurodollar deposits were unsettled by the shake-out in New York bond markets.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10⅛ Low 9½
Week fixed: 10

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mnth 9 11/16; 3 mnth 9 9/16
Selling: 2 mnth 9 9/16; 3 mnth 9 3/16

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 9 27/32-9 25/32 | 2 mnth 9 11/16-9 21/32
3 mnth 9 17/32-9½ | 6 mnth 9 5/16-9⅜

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10 15/32 | 2 mnth 10 5/16
3 mnth 10 5/32 | 6 mnth 9 15/16

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 10⅛ close 8
1 week 10 3/16-10⅛ | 6 mnth 9 25/32-9 23/32
1 mnth 10⅛-10 1/16 | 9 mnth 9 13/16-9 11/16
3 mnth 9 15/16-9⅞ | 12 mnth 9 13/16-9 11/16

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 10 | 7 days 10
1 mnth 10 | 3 mnth 9⅞
6 mnth 9 3/16 | 12 mnth 9⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 10⅛-10 | 2 mnth 10⅛-9⅞
3 mnth 10⅛-9⅞ | 6 mnth 9⅞-9⅞
9 mnth 9⅞-9¾ | 12 mnth 9⅞-9¾

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 10⅛-10 | 3 mnth 9⅞-9⅞
6 mnth 9⅝-9½ | 12 mnth 9⅝-9⅝

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 5.80-5.75 | 3 mnth 5.65-5.60
6 mnth 5.65-5.60 | 12 mnth 5.80-5.75

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar: call 6⅛-5⅝; 7 days 5⅞-5 9/16; 1 mnth 5⅞-5⅝; 3 mnth 5¾-5⅝; 6 mnth 5⅝-5⅝
Deutschmark: call 5-4; 7 days 4⅝-4½; 1 mnth 4 9/16-4 7/16; 3 mnth 4 7/16-4 5/16; 6 mnth 4⅜-4¼
French Franc: call 7½-6⅝; 7 days 7 3/16-7 1/16; 1 mnth 7⅛-7⅛; 3 mnth 7⅝-7⅛; 6 mnth 7⅝-7⅛
Swiss Franc: call 2½-1½; 7 days 2⅛-2; 1 mnth 4 1/16-3 15/16; 3 mnth 4⅛-4; 6 mnth 4⅛-4
Yen: call 5⅛-4⅞; 7 days 5 1/16-4 15/16; 1 mnth 5 3/16-5 1/16; 3 mnth 4 15/16-4 13/16; 6 mnth 4⅞-4⅝

GOLD

Gold: $406.00-407.50
Krugerrand* (per coin): $ 405.50-407.00 (£270.75-271.75)
Sovereigns* (new): $ 97.50-98.50 (£65.00-65.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period August 6, 1986 to September 2, 1986 inclusive: 9.890 per cent.

COMMENT

MMC passes Elders buck back to Bank

Anyone reading the conclusions of the Monopolies Commission on Elders IXL's proposed takeover of Allied-Lyons, without the foreknowledge that the deal had been cleared, could be forgiven for thinking the verdict would be different.

The commission outlines the frightening gearing caused by a debt-based bid as proposed by Elders. At a price of £3.85 per Allied share, which would hardly be a knockout bid, debt would start at 161 per cent of equity and fall after a year only to 114 per cent of equity. Even that allows for the sale of Allied's food businesses, a massive revaluation of Allied's assets and the instant resale of Hiram Walker if Allied finally landed the Canadian spirits company.

This compares with the 50 per cent gearing recommended by the Bank of England in its unusually forthcoming evidence. The Bank thought 100 per cent would give cause for concern.

At the same time the commission does not know what the effects of Elders' plan to sell half shares in pubs to tenants might be until it happens. Likewise, it recognizes that the intended break up and sale of the food businesses might cause new monopoly problems (to be dealt with later) and disruption. It also acknowledges, with little comment, that the present set-up of Grand Metropolitan brewing Elders' Fosters brand while Allied brews the rival Australian Castlemaine would be untenable.

Given that few benefits from the takeover are catalogued, it may be thought that virtually any bid that does not directly concentrate market share, in the Commission's concluding words, "may be expected not to operate against the public interest". This would cause unease even in the City, where competitive pressures, combined with outdated vetting of mergers, would leave the way open for unfriendly legislation.

The investigation proved unsatisfactory mainly because of its genesis in general fears about the financial and economic threats from a move to highly-leveraged, debt-based bids as in the United States. There, $150 billion of equity has been replaced by debt since 1983. This was why the Bank of England forthrightly opposed the deal. But it is the accumulation of a series of such bids that is damaging, to financial stability, industrial investment and even employment. The commission can only judge an individual case and, in the middle of the inquiry, Elders became more creditworthy through its link with BHP.

The commission has predictably patted the ball back to the Bank of England and the Stock Exchange. The Bank favours discussion of the problem. But it is hard to see any hard and fast rules over gearing applying reasonably to all cases. The Bank of England can warn the financing banks in its patch, but the problem is not easily to be resolved in the present framework.

Meanwhile, life has moved on rapidly for both Allied and Elders since the initial £1.8 billion bid was referred. Elders looks much stronger, though its role is still up in the air. Allied has still not finally landed Hiram Walker (which would require further recourse to shareholders) but has produced profit growth and prospects of perhaps £310 million pretax this year, which many in the City think would require a bid of £2.9 billion.

Bankers and City institutions are also taking a more sceptical view of this kind of bid, not least due to the publicity of this case. To complicate matters, Courage is now on the market — Hanson would like £1.5 billion — and rumours of a £1.3 billion purchase of Courage by the American Anheuser-Busch could cause Elders' John Elliott to weigh his options carefully. A quick bid could catch Allied busy in Canadian courts. Waiting until December would give all concerned more time. Courage would be an easier swallow.

British Gas rides out storm

While Britoil, admittedly a pure exploration and production oil company, wilts under the pressure of lower oil prices, the slump in prices has not had the serious effect it was expected to have on British Gas.

Almost all of its gas purchases are on long-term contracts skilfully negotiated some years ago, but nevertheless the fall in world oil prices should have given the oil companies the chance to move deeper into the industrial market as heavy fuel oil costs again became favourable.

Some customers switched from oil to gas, but since last month's Opec agreement, heavy fuel oil prices have risen by 50 per cent and show signs of rising further. The threat to gas, it seems, never really materialized.

Most of the numbers now being crunched in the run-up to the privatization — November 21 now seems the most likely date for the big sale — were collated when heavy fuel oil was at its lowest price for 10 years.

The latest review of British Gas from its broker, Hoare Govett, is based on a lower oil price

Because British Gas has been forced to lower prices to industrial customers to stay competitive with cheaper oil, Hoare Govett suggests that this year operating profits will be under pressure but, even after making provision for repaying part of the £2.5 billion debt the Government introducing to the balance sheet, dividends should not threaten cash flow.

However, no figure is being put on that dividend. The 1987-88 financial year is the the first the brokers are prepared to put an estimate on.

In that year, when the effects of the oil price changes will have worked through — possibly to the extent of the domestic consumer benefiting from a price cut — sufficient free cash will be available to pay a dividend of between £240 and £310 million.

SKF

Group half-year report

SKF Group sales for the first six months of 1986 totalled 10,380 million Swedish kronor, an increase of 349 million or 3.5 per cent compared with the first half-year of 1985. Profit after financial income and expense declined 9 per cent to 730 million kronor as against 803 million for the corresponding 1985 period.

	Jan-June 86	Jan-June 85
Sales (MSkr)	10,380	10,031
Operating income before depreciation (MSkr)	1,148	1,168
Income after financial income and expenses (MSkr)	730	803
Capital expenditure (MSkr)	360	318
Average number of employees at work	44,077	43,509

The European economy remained firm with a gradual uptrend in its business activity. Although the improvement rate was somewhat below expectations, industrial investment crept cautiously upwards. The US economy was less favourable than awaited, with weaker development shown in the OEM industries and a wait-and-see spring climate among distributors. The economy in most of the oil producing countries continued to deteriorate, and business activity in many of the Asiatic markets was subdued.

The Group's 730 million kronor profit after financial income and expense, corresponds to net earnings of 19.40 kronor per share (21.65).

Of this income, rolling bearings accounted for 504 million (582). The decrease was caused by sluggish development of prices in Europe, falling export prices and the currency development in several overseas markets.

Aktiebolaget SKF, S-415 50 Göteborg, Sweden.

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ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
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	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Gilt & Fixed	116.2	122.9e	+0.3	9.76
High Inc Equity	95.6	102.0	+0.6	4.85
Worldwide Bond	197.0	210.5e	-0.2	4.80
American Growth	157.4	167.4	-0.2	1.48
Asian Pacific	49.9	53.5	+0.3	2.29
Assets & Earns	107.5	114.9	-0.1	2.11
Capital Reserve	88.1	96.5	..	1.52
Comm & Energy	74.3	79.5e	+0.4	2.09
European Capital	101.3	107.7	+0.2	1.18
General	140.0	149.7	+0.3	2.84
Japan	82.6	87.9	+0.7	..
UK Growth Inc	161.0	108.5	-0.4	2.09
Do Accum	144.8	155.8	+0.5	1.46
US Emerging Co's	56.7	60.6	-0.1	0.86
Equities Progress	199.6	212.5	+1.4	3.22
MastersLAcc	66.3	70.5	+0.3	2.89

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL
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First Trust	228.4	243.2e	+0.5	3.47
Growth & Income	138.9	147.9	+0.1	3.06
Capital Trust	239.4	254.9	+0.6	2.47
Balanced	295.8	290.6	+0.2	3.11
Accum Trust	585.5	608.7	+0.8	2.89
American Income	33.5	35.7e	..	4.13
High Income Tst	251.5	267.0e	+0.9	4.76
Equity Income	141.1	150.3	+0.4	4.82
High Yield	147.5	157.1	+0.6	9.27
Gilt Sales Trust	30.2	31.5	+0.1	9.14
International	88.5	94.3e	-0.1	0.86
Japan Fund	119.3	127.1	-1.1	0.01
Pacific Trust	185.9	198.0	-0.4	0.27
Amer Spcl Sits	67.2	71.6	-0.1	1.37
Sects Of Amer Tst	217.5	231.6	-0.5	0.90
Ald Asset Value	231.0	246.0	+0.6	3.16
Gld Growth	38.4	40.0	+0.1	2.68
Smaller Co's	120.1	127.9	+0.3	2.68
2nd Smaller Co s	155.0	165.1e	+0.9	2.43
Recovery Trust	83.8	89.6	+0.7	3.11
Mid Min & Cmdty	82.0	87.3	+0.4	4.27
O'seas Earnings	188.0	200.2	+0.9	2.91
Technology Tst	89.3	95.1	-0.4	0.95
Income Exempt	127.5	135.1	+0.4	6.01
Exempt Smaller Co's	233.8	247.8	+0.9	2.91
USA Exempt Trust	347.5	368.4e	-0.2	1.11

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY
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Capital Growth Inc	58.3	62.4	+0.3	1.65
Do Accum	65.2	70.0	+0.4	1.65
Eastern & Int	144.2	154.2e	+2.2	0.77
Do 5% Withdrawal	75.1	80.3e	+1.2	0.76
Finance & Property	66.4	71.0e	+0.5	2.86
Gt & Fixed Income	92.7	99.1e	..	9.15
Do Accum	92.7	97.0e	..	9.15
Equity Income	76.9	81.1e	+0.4	4.70
Do Accum	169.0	192.5e	+2.1	4.66
High Yield Income	74.1	79.3e	+0.4	7.46
Do Accum	167.5	211.2e	+0.6	7.46
Int Income	80.7	86.3	+0.1	2.10
Do Accum	82.8	88.5	..	2.11
Do 5% Withdrwl	74.9	80.0	..	2.11
Managed Fund	63.5	68.0	+0.2	..
Preference Income	29.6	31.6	-0.1	9.60
Do Accum	95.5	102.2	-0.4	9.60
Smaller Co's Accum	131.6	140.7	+0.3	1.69
World Penny Snare	9.7	10.3e	..	0.71
Portfolio Tst UK	79.2	82.1e	+0.6	1.55
Portfolio Tst Int	169.9	172.6e	+0.6	2.06
Portfolio Tst US	71.5	74.1e	+0.5	1.06
Portfolio Tst Europe	123.2	127.5e	+0.3	0.60
Portfolio Tst HK	42.5	44.0e	-0.1	0.10

BAILLIE GIFFORD
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY
031-225 2561 (Dealers031-225 6356)

Ind Ex (22)	443.1	462.6	..	1.69
Japan Ex (43)	447.6	467.0	..	0.39
UK Ex (31)	238.5	253.7	..	1.32
P sal Pens Ind	446.0	471.5	..	-
P sal Pens UK	189.0	199.6	..	-
BG America	173.9	185.0e	-0.7	0.28
BG Energy	149.4	159.0	+1.0	1.28
BG Income Growth	195.2	207.7e	+0.4	5.20
BG Japan	202.4	215.5	+0.6	0.07
BG Technology	141.7	150.8	+0.6	0.67

BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS
25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD
01-491 0295

American	47.4	50.7	..	0.75
Australian	16.5	17.7e	..	3.05
Japan & General	119.9	128.3e	..	0.17
High Income	45.5	48.7e	..	5.99
International Trust	61.9	66.7	..	1.53
Income Gth Tst	47.0	50.3	..	3.88
Gilts & Fixed Int	20.4	21.9	..	9.97
Global Markets	34.1	36.5	..	2.04
Special Situations	39.7	42.5	..	1.54

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544

America	87.7	93.2	-0.2	1.36
Asst Accum	126.9	134.9	+1.0	1.49
Do Income	90.1	95.8	+0.7	1.49
Capital	70.4	74.8e	+0.2	2.99
Exempt Trust	435.2	462.5	+2.4	3.61
Extra Income	76.4	81.2	+0.5	5.44
Financial	235.7	250.7	-0.3	3.06
500	288.1	295.2e	+1.1	3.05
General	141.3	150.3	+0.5	3.05
Gilt & Fixed Inc	54.2	57.0e	+0.1	9.61
Japan & Gen Inc	177.1	188.3	+1.0	0.06
Do Acc	179.1	190.5	+2.0	0.06
Growth Accum	161.6	183.3	-0.5	2.34
Income Trust	338.1	359.6e	+1.2	3.56
Leisure Trust	59.6	63.4	+0.1	1.38
Special Situations	144.3	153.5e	+0.4	2.29
Recovery	195.3	207.7	+1.3	2.36
Trustee Fund	108.9	115.8	+0.5	2.63
Unic Tech Accum	53.3	56.7	+0.2	0.20
Do Income	52.8	56.1	-0.5	0.20
Worldwide Trust	156.1	164.9	-0.4	0.96
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	331.6	352.7	+1.4	3.33
Do Inc	214.9	228.6	+1.3	3.33

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XO
01-658 9002

Australia	85.0	89.5	+1.5	0.30
Eastern	59.1	63.2e	+0.9	0.30
Equity Income	57.3	61.6	+0.4	5.80
Europe	131.6	140.0	+0.4	0.90
Growth & Inc	84.0	89.6e	+0.1	2.30
Japan Special	106.7	116.2e	+0.9	0.30
Japan Sunrise	90.7	97.0	-0.7	0.30
First Europe	116.5	123.9	+0.5	0.80
First Japan	90.6	96.8	-0.3	0.30
First N Amer	51.2	54.7e	-0.4	1.80
First Smaller Co's	63.9	68.7	+0.7	2.70

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3
01-623 8000

Planned Inv	132.5	141.0	..	3.94
European Inc	97.9	102.3	+0.3	1.50
Do Accum	120.3	125.9	+0.2	1.50
General Inc	161.6	171.6	+2.1	2.89
Do Accum	220.5	234.0	+2.9	2.62
Gld Yield Inc	111.9	118.9e	+0.3	9.36
High Yield Inc	88.8	94.5e	+0.6	5.43
Do Accum	176.6	188.1	+1.2	5.43
Japan Income	255.5	264.7	-2.4	0.19
Do Accum	257.3	270.6	-2.4	0.18
N American Inc	49.7	52.8	-0.2	0.57
Do Accum	57.7	61.3	-0.2	0.57
Pacific Income	135.1	143.8	-1.3	0.24
Do Accum	153.3	160.8	-1.3	0.24
Smlr Co's Inc	80.5	85.7	+0.4	1.52
Do Accum	95.4	101.5	+0.5	1.52

BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST
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Growth Gilt	59.6	60.5e	+0.1	0.41
Intl Recovery	104.4	111.4	-0.3	2.66
Smaller Co's	140.7	150.1e	+1.3	1.30
UK Growth	39.8	41.5	+0.2	2.10
Extra Inc	56.1	59.6e	+0.3	7.46
Gilt	26.5	28.0	..	7.61
Inc & Growth	200.5	213.9	+1.9	4.16

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Net High Inc	198.8	213.1	+1.8	4.57
Pref Shares	18.1	19.3e	+0.1	10.30
Commodity	123.0	131.2	+1.7	2.64
Financial Secs	48.5	51.7	..	2.04
Gold & Gen	15.8	16.1	+0.9	5.36
Int Leisure	15.8	16.6	..	0.55
Prop Shares	68.9	71.4e	+0.1	1.02
Unv Energy	44.6	47.9e	-0.1	1.55
World Tech	42.3	45.1e	+0.2	0.84
Amer Growth	96.8	105.4e	-0.1	3.19
Amer Income	93.3	62.2	..	5.18
Amer Smaller Co's	21.4	22.8	..	0.41
Aust Growth	65.0	69.3	+0.7	1.78
Euro Smaller	17.2	18.3	+0.1	0.16
Far East	50.2	53.5e	+0.6	0.84
Hong Kong Pri	26.4	27.1	+0.4	2.45
Intl Growth	37.9	40.4	+0.2	1.46
Japan Perf	80.9	86.3	-0.5	..
Japan Smaller	16.1	17.2e	-0.1	..
Exempt	64.9	68.8	+0.5	3.60
Exempt Market	64.7	67.7	..	4.14

BROWN SHIPLEY
5-17, Pennybridge Rd, Haywards Heath
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Financial	128.6	137.6e	+0.1	2.57
Smaller Co s Acc	234.2	251.8	+1.7	..
Do Income	150.6	161.9	+0.7	0.94
High Income	85.9	70.6e	+0.6	2.98
Income	77.5	83.5	+0.5	4.72
Man Portfolio Inc	61.8	66.1e	+0.3	3.06
Do Acc	104.2	111.5e	-0.5	..
North American	58.2	62.3	+0.4	1.33
Orient	85.2	91.6	-0.7	0.22

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2808

Fellowship Inc	49.7	54.1e	..	3.00
General Inc (4)	215.3	226.5	..	3.07
Do Accum (4)	344.2	362.2	..	3.07
Income Fund (39)	102.0	107.5	..	4.59
Do Accum (3)	178.0	189.6	..	4.59
Intl Inc (2)	132.5	138.3e	+1.9	1.41
Do Accum (2)	176.2	183.8	+2.1	1.41
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.46	12.16	..	2.80
Do Accum (5)	£12.21	12.95	..	2.80

C&S FUND MANAGERS
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY
01-242 1148

CS Japan Fund	97.8	104.9	-1.2	0.21

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB
01-902 8876

Growth	288.6	303.8	+2.9	2.94
Income	332.9	354.1	+3.2	3.57
Far East	222.9	237.1	+2.5	0.56
North American	153.2	163.0	+2.0	0.56
Global	48.3	52.5e	+0.1	1.50
European	52.3	55.6e	+0.2	0.84
Japan	51.0	54.9e	+0.7	0.50

CAPEL-(JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 Bank Buildings, London EC3 7JD
01-621 0011

Capital	378.1	405.5	+2.3	1.76
Income	295.5	309.5	+1.1	4.97
North American	298.0	313.4	-0.6	0.85

CATER ALLEN
1, King William St, EC4N 7AU
01-623 8314

Gilt Trust	102.0	109.1e	-0.1	10.97

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

Inv Fund	418.4		+21.5	4.34
Fixed Int	145.1		+1.0	9.62
Deposit	100.0		..	9.76

CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MANAGERS
72/73 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 5DP
01-606 6622

S & C Special Sits	51.4	54.6		0.73

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

Income	383.87		..	4.78
Accum	£11.2528		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	9.50

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH
0800 373383

Amer Growth	23.4	24.9	..	1.80
Equity High Income	43.3	46.1e	+0.5	4.50
European Growth	30.7	32.1	..	2.00
General Equity	39.2	41.6e	+0.1	3.00
Gilt & Fixed Mk Gth	30.2	31.8e	+0.1	9.20
Gilt & Fixed Inc	25.4	26.8e	+0.1	9.50
Index Securities	25.5	26.9	..	2.90
Japan Growth	35.1	37.4	-0.3	0.50

COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD
181, Chaapside, London EC2V 6EU
01-726 1999

Energy Trust	47.2	50.2e	+0.1	3.89
Extra Income	169.5	176.4	-0.6	5.31
Income Fund	168.5	179.2e	-0.5	2.34
Gilt Strategy	56.5	58.3	+0.1	1.93
Growth Investment	269.0	308.2	+1.8	2.46
Income & Growth	41.0	43.6e	+0.2	4.76
Japanese Growth	200.7	213.5e	-0.5	0.64
Nth Amer Growth	103.7	110.3	-0.2	1.12
Ind Recovery	174.1	121.3	+0.2	1.80
Smaller Co's	213.0	226.5e	..	1.86
Global Inc Tst	59.4	63.1e	+0.3	5.08
Special Sits Acc	285.2	303.3	+2.1	1.75

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04862 5033

High Income Trust	246.5	263.6	+1.9	4.96
Growth Trust	225.3	241.0e	-0.3	2.99
American Trust	131.2	140.3	-0.1	0.71

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL
07372 42424

UK Income	50.5	53.6	+0.3	4.47
UK Growth Accum	51.7	55.0	+1.4	2.43
Do Dist	51.7	55.0	+1.4	2.43
European Growth	58.5	62.2	+0.7	1.83
Pacific Growth	57.0	60.7	+0.7	..

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3492

American Fund	74.9	80.1	..	2.12
Capital Fund	98.1	104.9	+0.7	1.62
Growth & Inc Fund	130.6	139.7e	+0.8	4.29
High Dist Fund	110.9	118.6	+1.2	5.88
International Fund	291.5	215.5	..	1.04
Resources Fund	23.3	24.9	+0.2	0.40
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	36.1	38.6	-0.3	..
Tokyo Fund	182.8	195.5e	-2.4	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	172.5	157.5	+2.3	3.47
(Ex) Japan (3)	117.0	120.5	..	0.18
(Ex) Pacific (4)	288.6	298.0e	..	0.33
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	209.3	218.1	..	0.10
Eurofund	29.5	30.5	-0.1	3.28

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Beth Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LG
0242 521311

UK Balanced Inc	71.2	75.9	+0.2	2.76
Do Accum	73.5	77.1	+0.2	2.72
UK Growth Accum	86.3	92.0	+0.5	1.66
UK High Inc Inc	67.3	71.8	+0.6	4.92
N American Accum	67.7	72.2e	-0.1	1.06
Far Eastern Accum	104.0	113.1	-0.9	0.00
European Accum	85.6	91.3e	+0.2	0.74
UK Gilt & Fl Inc	54.8	58.4	+0.1	8.23
Do Accum	58.4	60.2	+0.1	7.96

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LS
0708-66966

Endurance	111.2	119.0e	..	3.00

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION				
35, Fountain St, Manchester				
061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	73.9	80.6	..	3.12
High Income Trust	77.7	82.7	..	4.92
Gilt & Fixed Int	93.3	98.7	..	8.37
Tst Of Inv Trusts	63.2	67.3e	..	1.86
Special Sits Trust	76.8	80.7 c	..	2.35
Nth Amer Trust	61.1	65.0c	..	1.84
Far Eastern Trust	94.6	99.1	..	0.54
Intl Growth	52.2	55.6	..	1.02
EQUITY & LAW				
34, George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1BD				
0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	152.7	162.4	..	3.28
Do Income	132.6	141.0	..	3.28
Higher Inc Accum	254.0	270.2	+0.7	4.51
Do Income	254.6	270.5	+0.7	4.51
Gilts/Fixed Accum	101.1	105.4e	-1.1	2.65
Do Income	82.6	86.0e	-0.7	2.65
Nth Amer Tst Accum	134.6	143.4	-0.2	0.84
Far East Tst Accum	163.1	174.2	-1.0	0.39
Euro Tst Accum	157.8	178.5 c	+2.1	1.04
General Trust	245.2	260.6	-0.1	3.05
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA				
01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	72.4	77.4	..	0.27
Capital Fund	108.0	115.5	..	0.26
Income Fund	81.7	87.4	..	4.51
Far Eastern Fund	79.2	83.7	..	0.34
Overseas Income	73.1	78.2	..	3.48
Fixed Interest	58.2	63.4	..	8.00
Natural Res Fund	40.5	43.4	..	0.27
European Income	84.5	90.7	..	2.92
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
199, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA				
041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	45.3	48.2	..	1.80
Do Accum	48.1	48.0	..	..
Income Gth Inc	41.2	43.8	..	5.01
Do Accum	43.1	45.8	..	..
Savings Co's Inc	92.8	98.5	..	1.00
Do Accum	50.4	53.6	..	..
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
Rose Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY				
0732 361144				
American	105.8	113.2	-0.1	0.97
Amer Equity Income	33.8	36.2	..	4.31
Amer Special Sits	50.3	53.9	-0.2	1.66
Asset Trust	77.7	82.7	..	4.92
Gilt & Fixed Int	31.4	32.9	..	8.95
Growth & Income	98.3	105.3	+0.6	4.56
Japan Special Sits	74.2	79.4	+0.1	..
Managed Fund	148.2	160.5	+3.6	..
Managed Int Tst	148.6	158.3	+1.6	0.01
Max Income Equity	88.1	92.9	+0.6	5.20
Professional Gth	51.3	54.9	+0.4	0.00
South East Asia Tst	32.1	34.3	+0.3	0.46
Special Sits	167.6	180.3 c	+2.7	0.88
FLEMING (ROBERT)				
9, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 5AN				
01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£254.2	261.9	..	1.86
Japan Exempt	£423.2	436.5	..	0.06
Japan Exempt Tst	£10786.0	●	..	0.06
Property Trust	£2032.0		..	5.88
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5ND				
01-588 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	225.4	239.8e	-1.2	0.48
Do Accum	253.3	269.4e	-1.3	0.48
Amer Diversnd Inc	216.4	230.0	-0.5	1.11
Do Accum	224.4	238.5	-0.6	1.11
Capital Tst Inc	211.2	224.6	+0.6	1.91
Do Accum	211.2	224.6	+0.6	1.91
Conv & Gtr Inc	88.2	93.6	+0.4	5.37
Do Accum	117.4	124.8	+0.4	5.37
Exmr Inc Tst Inc	182.6	172.8e	+0.6	4.68
Do Accum	170.2	187.0e	+0.6	4.68
Income Trust	117.8	125.2	+0.6	4.53
Do Accum	123.8	131.6	+0.6	4.53
Int Growth Fd Inc	164.2	174.6	-0.2	..
Do Accum	182.4	194.0	-0.2	..
Japan & Gen Inc	91.2	97.0	-0.4	0.07
Do Accum	92.0	97.8	-0.4	0.07
Monthly Income Fd	83.6	88.8e	+0.6	4.65
Recovery	137.4	147.0e	+0.6	1.71
Smaller Cos	149.4	158.8e	+0.5	1.51
European Inc	64.4	68.4	+0.2	0.81
Do Accum	64.4	68.4	+0.2	0.81
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Pitcairn End, Dorking, Surrey				
0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	203.3	215.9	-0.5	2.72
Do Accum	203.3	215.9	-0.9	2.71
FP Fixed Int Dist	115.1	122.4	..	9.47
Do Accum	131.0	139.3	-0.1	9.47
Stewardship Dist	175.8	186.4	+0.1	1.66
Do Accum	181.4	192.5	+0.1	1.66
FUNDS IN COURT				
Public Trustee Kingsway WC2				
01-405 4300				
Capital	348.6	361.5	..	2.81
Gross Inc	148.2	140.9	..	7.74
High Yield	215.1	220.2e	..	5.98
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 9, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ				
01-283 2573 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	99.5	106.5e	+0.4	2.90
Do Accum	143.3	153.3e	+0.6	2.90
Income Fund	80.4	86.0e	+0.2	6.00
Pension Exempt	182.5	191.2e	+0.3	1.80
International	178.6	187.2	+0.3	0.60
US & General	58.8	62.8	+0.1	0.90
Tech & Growth	63.5	68.0	-0.1	1.26
Japan & General	272.1	292.1	-0.5	0.10
Far East & Gen	127.9	136.8	+1.2	0.40
European Fund	127.1	136.0	+0.4	0.60
Germany Fund	75.4	80.7	+1.0	0.00
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	90.1	96.5	..	0.00
Australian Trust	18.2	19.4	..	0.55
British Tst Accm	60.9	64.2e	..	1.86
Do Dist	52.0	55.7e	..	1.86
Commodity Share	56.5	60.4	..	1.40
European Trust	55.8	59.6	..	0.92
Extra Income Trust	51.3	54.8	..	5.60
Far Eastern Trust	154.3	167.2	..	0.00
Fixed Interest Fund	28.5	29.2	..	9.69
Gilt Trust	27.2	28.3	..	9.69
Global Fund Accum	182.0	192.7	..	0.19
Do Dist	173.7	184.0	..	0.19
Gold Shares Trust	12.6	13.5	..	2.09
Hedged American	31.8	34.1	..	0.10
High Income Trust	141.8	151.9e	..	5.71
Hong Kong Trust	22.2	23.1	..	1.10
Income Fund	75.7	81.1e	..	3.19
Insurance Agencies	£47.78	51.36	..	2.09
Japan Trust	160.4	170.8	-3.0	0.00
Managed Exempt	270.7	291.4	..	1.75
Oil & Energy Trust	33.8	36.2	..	1.76
Special Sits Trust	83.2	89.8e	..	0.78
UK Smlr Co's Rec Tst	71.7	76.8	..	1.42
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Vendhester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA				
01-588 5820				
Intl Growth	63.6	68.4	+1.2	1.54
American Growth	85.6	91.9	-0.4	0.85
American Inc	78.5	75.4e	-0.5	5.29
European Growth	249.7	257.4	+2.5	0.29
Gold & Minerals	38.4	41.0	+1.0	2.07
Japan Growth	162.0	173.2	+1.1	..
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN				
01-588 5903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	119.2	123.9e	-0.2	8.95

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Growth Equity	204.2	217.3	+0.1	1.95
Guardhill	264.1	264.4e	-0.2	2.81
N American	141.7	150.8	-0.4	1.35
Pacific	244.9	260.6	-2.1	0.12
Property Shares	262.0	278.8	..	1.43
Smaller Companies	217.4	231.3	-0.8	1.65
European Trust	260.7	277.4	+0.2	1.62
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ.				
01-628 9333				
High Income	51.7	55.5	..	8.54
N Amer Trust	105.4	112.2	..	0.83
Recovery	204.8	218.0	..	2.35
Gilt Trust	36.1	38.5e	..	9.43
St Vincent Inc	84.5	87.2e	..	5.43
St Vincent US Gth	75.8	78.0e	..	0.75
Temple Bar Sm Co's	176.5	188.1	..	3.28
Temple Bar USM	365.2	394.4	..	2.80
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Premier UT Admin. & Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex				
0277 217916				
Hambros Smlr Co's	133.1	141.6e	+0.7	1.83
Hambros N Amer	69.8	73.7	-0.2	0.50
Hambros Jap & F E	129.2	134.3	-0.1	0.45
Hambros Bramdon	91.8	97.1e	-0.8	0.88
Hambros European	102.1	108.0	+0.3	0.83
Hambros Capital	48.3	51.0	+0.1	1.54
Hambros Equity Inc	85.5	91.0	+0.7	4.69
Hambros High Inc	99.8	93.6c	+0.3	5.58
Hambros Asset Alloc	89.2	93.1e	+0.2	2.44
Hambros Int Gilt	43.2	45.4	+0.2	0.84
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION				
Premier UT Administration 3, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex				
0277-217238				
Special Sits Inc	133.9	143.2e	+0.7	1.01
Do Accum	189.4	202.7e	+0.7	1.01

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1	Triton Europe	Oil	
2	Britoil	Oil	
3	Cookson	Industrials A-D	
4	Williams Hldgs	Industrials S-Z	
5	Maclellan (P&W)	Industrials L-R	
6	Avon Rubber	Industrials A-D	
7	STC	Electricals	
8	Nurdin & Peacock	Foods	
9	Broken Hill	Industrials A-D	
10	Black Arrow	Industrials A-D	
11	Lambert Howarth	Shoes,Leather	
12	IC Gas	Oil	
13	Gold Greenless	Paper,Print,Adv	
14	Eucalyptus Pulp	Paper,Print,Adv	
15	Gerber Energy	Oil	
16	Boosey & Hawkes	Leisure	
17	Macfarlane	Industrials L-R	
18	Suter	Industrials S-Z	
19	AGB Research	Industrials A-D	
20	Hawker Siddeley	Industrials E-K	
21	Jones Stroud	Electricals	
22	Ibstock Johnsen	Building,Roads	
23	Woolworth	Drapery,Stores	
24	Persimmon	Building,Roads	
25	Booker	Industrials A-D	
26	Benlox	Industrials A-D	
27	Resmor	Industrials L-R	
28	Sandhurst	Industrials S-Z	
29	Hopkinsons	Industrials E-K	
30	RHM	Foods	
31	APV	Industrials A-D	
32	Ultramar	Oil	
33	Scholes (GH)	Electricals	
34	Woodhead (Jonas)	Motors,Aircraft	
35	Smurfit (Jeff)	Paper,Print,Adv	
36	LASMO	Oil	
37	BET Dfd	Industrials A-D	
38	Charter Cons	Industrials A-D	
39	Hepworth Ceramic	Industrials E-K	
40	Whessoe	Industrials S-Z	
41	Cosalt	Industrials A-D	
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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
448	280	Provident	338	-6	15.5	4.6	11.9
80	58	Rea Bros	65	..	9.6	0.9	14.8
135	102	Rothschild (J) Hld	129	-1	7.1	5.5	13.5
380	280	Royl Bnk Of Scot	354	-2	14.3	4.0	10.3
8	5¾	Schroders	£8¼	..	19.2	2.9	12.7
884	419	Stand Chart	734	●+15	48.4	6.4	8.9
818	613	Union	673	● ..	52.9	7.9	67.8
77½	43¾	Wells Fargo	275¼	-2	..	..	..
320	220	Wintrust	275	● ..	7.7	2.8	13.4

BREWERIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
363	248	Allied-Lyons	351	-2	13.6	3.9	16.0
840	620	Bass	785	+2	21.7	2.8	16.3
67	38	Belhaven	63	..	1.2	1.9	28.1
144	85	Boddingtons	137	..	4.6	3.4	17.3
530	375	Brown (Matthew)	495	..	20.0b	4.0	18.2
182	144	Bulmer (H P)	149	● ..	7.6	5.1	15.3
580	405	Burtonwood Brew	580	..	15.4	2.7	18.3
515	410	Clark (Matthew)	505	● ..	11.4	2.3	17.4
237	128	Devenish (J A)	192	..	3.7	1.9	28.1
204	165	Greenall Whitley	171	..	7.9	4.6	12.2
243	183	Greene King	233	..	8.0	3.4	13.3
356	275	Guinness	343	-3	10.3	3.0	13.0
594	485	Hardys & Hansons	594	..	25.0	4.6	15.5
91	69	Highland Dist	75	..	2.9	3.9	15.2
179	135	Invergordon Dist	155	..	6.8	4.4	9.9
288	170	Irish Dist	175	+5	6.0	3.4	..
114	77	Marston Thompson	111	● ..	3.2	2.9	15.9
254	217	Morland	234	..	8.1	3.8	14.0
248	331	SA Breweries	202	+9	..	..	..
224	163	Scot & New	186	..	10.0	5.4	11.3
540	352	Vaux	380	+2	16.4	4.3	15.0
316	222	Whitbread 'A'	275	-3	11.1	4.0	12.7
318	220	Do 'B'	275	..	11.1	4.0	12.7
251	168	Whitbread Inv	213	..	10.6	5.0	27.3
550	410	Wolvrhmptn & D	545	+2	12.7	2.3	19.9
330	195	Young 'A'	305	..	10.4	3.4	21.0

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
268	218	Aberdeen Constr	234	-2	11.4	4.9	21.8
297	213	Amec	284	-1	16.4	5.6	15.9
74	52	Amcliffe	68	..	0.1e	0.1	10.5
211	125	Atwoods	210	+12	8.1	3.9	18.2
560	331	BPB Industries	508	+3	12.9	2.5	16.0
377	284	Baggeridge Brick	340	..	10.2	3.0	12.3
164	114	Barratt Devs	148	+4	10.9	7.4	..
32	22	Bailey(Ben) Constr	26	..	..	..	8.2
192	128	Bellway	174	+2	10.0	5.7	18.6
83	63	Bett Bros	65	..	4.4	6.7	18.8
975	875	Blockleys	910	..	37.1	4.1	12.7
728	526	Blue Circle	588	●+12	30.0	5.3	8.0
275	225	Breedon&Cloud Hill	255	..	14.3	5.6	24.2
91	61	Br Dredging	78	..	4.3	5.5	14.3
29	16	Brown & Jackson	23	..	..	..	59.0
76	37	Brownlee	76	+13	3.8	5.0	36.6
132	84	Bryant	125	..	4.9	3.9	15.9
27	7	Burnett & Hallam	7½	-1	..	..	0.8
158	150	Calebread Robey	150	..	..	..	..
128	85	Cement-Roadstone	105	..	4.0	3.8	..
128	80	Condor Grp	128	● ..	3.6	2.8	18.5
576	449	Costain	576	..	24.3	4.2	10.7
478	258	Countryside	478	● ..	8.5	1.8	12.9
185	124	Crouch (Derek)	183	+5	8.5	4.6	13.3
104	84	Dew (George)	104	● ..	8.6	8.3	14.6
137	72	Douglas (RM)	130	..	2.5b	1.9	29.1
105	83	Erith	106	+4	4.7	4.4	10.7
93	76	Feb	85	..	2.5	2.9	11.7
71	54	Do 'A'	60	..	2.5	4.2	8.2
172	31	Federated Hsg	140	-2	5.0	3.6	14.7
70	54	Finlan Gp	68	● ..	5.4	7.9	17.0
94	80	Galliford	87	+1	6.3	7.2	14.1
131	108	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	121	..	2.6	2.1	33.5
395	254	Gleeson (MJ)	378	..	7.9	2.1	13.1
143	85	HAT	139	● ..	5.4	3.9	13.2
245	56	Helical Bar	245	..	..	..	70.2
79	42	Hewden-Stuart	68	..	2.4	3.5	12.0
244	144	Heywood Williams	210	●-2	10.1	4.8	14.2
638	428	Higgs & Hill	638	..	19.4	3.0	17.5
190½	125	Ibstock Johnsen	188	+4	7.1	3.8	14.0
435	265	Jarvis (J) & Sons	435	..	14.3	3.3	89.9
488	298	Laing (J)	416	+5	10.0	2.4	11.7
484	298	Do 'A'	415	+5	10.0	2.4	11.7
122	78	Lawrence (Walter)	113	..	5.2	4.6	9.0
91	71	Lilley (FJC)	73	-1	5.5	7.5	9.4
429	290	Lovell (YJ)	410	● ..	10.2	2.5	14.5
196	128	Magnet & South	184	● ..	7.4	4.0	21.9
318	178	Manders	313	-3	11.6	3.7	18.9
135	101	Marley	127	●+1	5.4	4.3	24.4
205	161	Marshalls (Halifax)	205	● ..	7.5	3.7	17.1
145	95	May & Hassell	145	● ..	0.1	0.1	..
444	304	McAlpine (Alfred)	444	+2	17.9	4.0	14.3
272	171	Meyer Int	254	●-1	8.2	3.2	13.6
38	23	Miller (Stanley)	31	..	1.4	4.5	..
130	108	Monk (A)	118	..	9.3	7.9	15.9
444	306	Mowlem (John)	418	..	22.9	5.5	12.8
920	798	Newarthill	880	..	15.7	1.8	17.2
213	163	Nottingham Brick	190	..	9.3	4.9	14.2
254	118	Persimmon	254	+4	7.5	3.0	14.2
110	85	Phoenix Timber	93	+3	..	..	3.5
395	265	Pochins	355	..	18.4	5.2	7.9
688	440	RMC	680	..	20.0	2.9	15.1
482	340	Redland	460	● ..	16.5	3.6	14.5
323	188	Ruberoid	298	+13	12.3	4.1	10.6
191	133½	Rugby Cement	159	+5	9.1	5.7	17.6
142	87	Sharpe & Fisher	142	+2	3.5	2.5	21.8
84	70	Smart (J)	83	..	6.8b	8.2	17.8
516	342	Tarmac	488	..	13.4	2.7	20.5
348	236½	Taylor Woodrow	315	●-1	12.7	4.0	14.0
180	140	Tilbury Group	170	..	7.5	4.5	12.5
433	328	Travis & Arnold	425	+2	12.2	2.9	16.5
101	75	Trent	84	● ..	1.6	1.7	65.7
165	138	Turriff	163	..	10.0	6.1	29.0
361	195	Vibroplant	348	● ..	15.0	4.3	10.0
290	245	Ward	276	● ..	10.4	3.8	15.6
85	58	Warrington (T)	85	+2	1.4	1.6	9.7
204	172	Watts Blake	190	..	6.6	3.5	13.5
85	67	Western Bros	85	..	1.6	1.9	25.5
154	41	Wiggins	148	-1	0.7	0.5	16.7
290	157	Wilson (Connolly)	288	+15	2.9	1.0	22.4
225	120	Wimpey (George)	217	..	5.4	2.5	20.9

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
48	36½	AKZO N/V Bearer	£45½	+½	400	8.8	..
259	180	Allied Colloids	228	-3	3.6	1.6	23.7
425	281	Amersham	420	-3	10.0	2.4	21.8
247	180	Anchor Chemical	232	..	6.1	2.7	13.0
136	108	BTP	128	..	5.4	4.6	16.8
111	76½	Bayer DM50	£101¼	-3¼	700	6.9	..
132	102	Blagden	116	● ..	10.3	8.9	17.2
188	112	Brent Chems	149	..	6.0	4.0	17.2
100	57½	Br Benzol	91	-1	..	..	20.1
136	82	Canning (W)	122	+3	5.1	4.2	20.5
305	245	Coalite	284	-2	10.7	3.8	10.6
188	135	Coates Bros	169	..	6.6	3.9	10.6
180	112	Do 'A'	150	..	6.6	4.3	8.8
21½	15	Cory (Horace)	21½	..	0.9	4.2	7.2
163	127	Croda	150	+1	10.0	6.7	15.5
131	100	Do Dfd	121	●+1	..	..	12.5
245	172	Ellis & Everard	218	● ..	9.3	4.3	15.2
133	111	Evode	126	● ..	4.7	3.8	19.4
250	215	Foseco-Minsep	240	..	12.9	5.3	10.0
188	163	Halstead (James)	184	+5	6.4	3.9	12.7
433	330	Hickson	385	●-3	21.9	5.7	8.9
101¼	72¾	Hoechst DM50	£91	-3	..	..	..
11	734	Imp Chem Ind	£10¼	● ..	48.8	4.5	12.2
410	333	Laporte	403	+13	11.8	2.9	16.7
118	59	Leigh	100	..	5.4	5.4	14.6
169	119	Plysu	188	+1	2.8	1.5	21.8
91	62	Reabrook Hldgs	86	..	3.6	4.2	9.9
178	129	Rentokil	141	-1	3.7	2.6	17.7
330	216	SNIA BPD	285	-2	..	..	..
73	36	Sutcliffe Speakman	61	-1	..	..	70.9
233	178	Wolstenholme Rink	225	..	11.1	4.9	25.3
153	87	Yorkshire Chem	138	● ..	4.3	3.1	12.5

CINEMAS AND TV

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
270	178	Anglia TV 'A'	260	..	13.9	5.3	13.6
52	27	Grampian	42	-2	2.9	6.9	6.1
240	178	HTV N/V	218	..	11.4	5.2	9.9
380	263	LWT Hldgs	380	..	21.3	5.6	15.2
350	188	Scot TV 'A'	315	..	15.0	4.8	10.4
273	149	TVS N/V	237	..	14.3b	6.0	11.7
46	31	TSW	45	..	2.6	5.8	12.4
240	223	Thames TV	237	..	..	..	..

DRAPERY AND STORES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
187	90	Alexon	187	+4	4.6	2.5	12.2
98	61	Aquascutum 'A'	73	..	3.6	4.9	24.9
98	79	Beattie (James) 'A'	93	..	3.8	4.1	13.0
206	125	Bentalls	138	-2	3.3	2.4	28.5
18	4	Blacks Leis	5	..	..	..	..
665	387	Body Shop	655	-10	3.0	0.5	84.2
82	40	Bremner	62	..	0.7	1.1	45.3
785	526	Brown (N)	785	..	16.1	2.1	27.2
356	236	Burton	312	-2	6.8	2.2	21.5
174	84	Cantors 'A'	129	..	3.2	2.5	33.2
58	40	Casket (S)	41	..	3.1	7.6	7.9
400	305	Church	365	..	12.1	3.3	14.7
554	428	Costa Viyella	500	+2	17.1	3.4	14.9
258	148	Combined English	240	+2	9.6	4.0	21.5
152	115	Courts (Furn) 'A'	131	● ..	6.7	5.1	9.7
365	210	DAKS Simpson 'A'	300	..	8.6	2.9	11.8
89	69	Dewhirst (IJ)	83	● ..	1.3	1.6	17.5
438	218	Dixons Grp	386	●-2	4.3	1.1	27.8
540	348	Dunhill	540	+4	7.9	1.5	18.2
100	73	Ellis & Goldstein	87	..	3.5	4.0	10.6
715	600	Elys (Wimbledon)	600	..	13.8	2.3	28.2
220	134	Empire Stores	205	..	5.4	2.6	20.1
274	194	Etam	270	+4	6.1	2.3	19.2
135	39	Executex Clothes	130	..	2.9	2.2	2.5
179	105	Fine Art Dev	167	+2	5.7	3.4	19.5
133½	51	Ford (Martin)	68	..	..	..	..
203	183	Formnister	200	● ..	9.3	4.7	10.3
480	310	Freemans	478	..	10.0	2.1	20.4
178	87	Gelfer (AJ)	166	..	7.7	4.6	14.6
84	54	Gent SR	60	-2	1.4	2.3	36.1
153	89	Goldberg (A)	153	..	5.7	3.7	19.0
234	172	Goldsmiths Gp	234	+10	10.7	4.6	51.1
16	880	GUS	£16	+¼	30.0	1.9	21.2
11½	721	Do 'A'	£11½	..	30.0	2.6	15.1
307	190	Harris Queensway	240	..	6.6	2.8	19.1
33	25	Helene Of London	27	..	2.3	8.6	8.8
43	28	Hollas	43	●+1	3.1	7.2	13.2
162	102	House Of Lerose	154	..	12.0	7.8	11.2
88	76	Jones (Ernest)	80	● ..	5.0	6.3	12.6
36	24	Ladies Pride	35	● ..	1.1	3.1	25.9
132	110½	LCP	124	-1	6.4	5.2	18.5
226	135	Lee Cooper	201	-2	8.0	3.0	8.8
830	675	Liberty	695	..	11.1	1.6	23.5
248	185	Lincroft Kilgour	223	● ..	10.7	4.8	15.3
231	163	Marks & Spencer	217	..	5.6	2.6	25.8
350	283	Menzies (John)	318	..	5.8	1.8	15.1
635	530	Moss Bros	530	..	8.2	1.5	25.1
297	189	Next	280	..	5.9n	2.2	21.7
353	303	Oliver (G)	325	..	12.9	4.0	18.9
81	55	Pentos	78	..	1.0	1.3	19.8
130	100	Preedy (Alfred)	118	● ..	5.5	4.7	81.1
217	105	Ratners (Jewellers)	215	●+1	4.3	2.0	21.4
370	220	Reed (Austin)	335	..	7.9	2.4	23.2
179	135	Do 'A'	155	+1	7.9	5.1	13.5
44	31	S & U Stores	37	..	..	..	24.3
148½	102	Sears	125	..	4.9	3.9	16.1
354	224	Smith (WH) 'A'	284	● ..	8.8	3.0	17.2
72	47	Do 'B'	56	●-1	1.7	3.0	3.4
84	65	Stanley (AG)	83	● ..	4.3	5.2	13.6
98	74	Stead & Simpson 'A'	89	..	5.1	5.8	16.6
365	265	Storehouse	355	-3	11.0	3.1	18.9
24½	15½	Stormgard	17½	+½	..	..	28.1
42	22	Sumrie Clothes	28	..	..	..	..
533	413	Superdrug Stores	475	-5	7.1	1.5	28.2
75	33	Tern-Consulate	35	..	..	..	7.7
80½	57½	Time Products	73	+½	2.9	4.0	13.2
193	170	Tip Top Drug	190	..	..	..	24.9
195	158	Underwoods	181	+8	2.4	1.3	34.7
365	235	Ward White	385	+4	9.3	2.5	19.7
178	98	Wigfalls	165	+2	3.6e	2.2	..
925	430	Woolworth	675	+5	22.9	3.4	15.4

ELECTRICALS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
388	180	AB Elect	323	-2	11.4	3.5	24.1
185	120	Alphameric	185	●+5	2.1	1.1	18.6
152	35	Amstrad	144	-5	0.3	0.2	54.5
86	43	Apricot Computers	50	-5	0.5b	1.0	8.5
86	63	Arlen	63	..	..	..	36.1
300	205	Atlantic Comp	285	● ..	4.1	1.8	8.1
58	48	Audio Fidelity	58	+2	..	..	18.6
220	140	Auto Sec	180	..	2.3	1.3	12.3
370	340	BICC	290	+2	15.7	5.4	18.4
138	64	BSR	78	..	2.5	3.3	5.1
147	128	Beck	133	+1	..	..	..
180	126	Borland	159	-1	..	..	..
580	379	Bowthorpe	550	..	10.0	1.8	19.0
280	177½	Br Telecom	198	● ..	10.7	5.4	11.6
112	75	Brown Boveri Kent	103	..	4.3	4.2	9.6
19	11½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	15½	..	0.1	0.6	27.7
152	64	CASE	87	..	0.6	0.7	7.3
389	284	Cable & Wireless	332	●-2	6.8	2.0	18.2
318	193	Cambridge Elec	196	..	10.6	5.4	11.9
243	178	CAP Gp	195	● ..	2.1	1.1	24.8
57	37	Chloride	53	..	..	..	12.4
225	149	Do 7½% CPF	215	..	..	..	..
352	203	Comcap	330	+5	2.1	0.6	16.4
343	260	Cray Elect	325	● ..	5.6	1.7	22.9
256	140	Crystalate	200	-2	6.5	3.3	12.1
79	49	Dale Elect	49	●-1	4.3	8.8	18.2
190	147	Datasafe	156	..	1.0	0.6	..
62	29½	Dewhurst 'A'	33	● ..	1.6	4.8	7.4
365	282	Domino	317	..	2.8	0.9	21.4
50	37	Dowding & Mills	38	..	2.1	5.5	12.1
212	162	Dubilier	168	..	4.1	2.4	12.3
445	360	Electrocomponents	405	..	8.9	2.2	19.7
85	48	Electronic Mach	65	-1	1.0	1.5	88.0
62	42	Electronic Rentals	52	..	4.6	8.8	14.3
297	207	Emess Lighting	286	..	8.9b	3.1	16.0
380	255	Eurotherm	364	● ..	0.8	0.2	16.4
233	147	Farnell Elect	175	+4	3.1	1.8	17.3
158	102	Ferranti	104	● ..	2.4	2.3	17.3
51	24	Forward Tech	38	..	1.0b	2.8	15.9
228	158	GEC	184	● ..	6.1	3.3	11.5
180	90	Grosvenor	118	..	8.2e	6.9	9.8
114	80	Highland Elect	86	..	3.6	4.2	11.0
163	80	ISL	58	..	1.7	2.9	8.1
358	225	Int Signal & Control	283	● ..	1.0	0.4	..
283	175	Jones Stroud	253	●+3	12.1	4.8	9.8
290	85	Kode	270	..	17.1b	6.3	56.4
323	220	Lec Refrigeration	228	●+5	17.9	7.9	8.8
219	124	Logica	219	+6	1.4e	0.6	23.7
423	270	MK Elect	368	-2	15.4	4.2	13.4
192	126	Macro 4	192	+4	1.4	0.7	28.5
433	205	Memec	240	+2	4.3	1.8	18.5
82	51½	Micro BS	56	..	0.7	1.3	8.8
259	80	Micro Focus	105	..	..	..	..
58	33	Multitone Elect	45	● ..	0.1	0.2	33.8
65	43	Murray Elect	43	..	0.1n	0.2	91.5
313	241½	Newmark (Louis)	270	● ..	20.0	7.4	8.7
108½	81	NEI	98½	-½	7.5	7.8	14.1
49	13	Oceonics	21	-2	..	..	4.3
580	383	Oxford Instruments	558	●+8	2.6	0.5	24.1
185	180	P-E International	170	..	..	..	..
32	16	Pricom	24	..	1.8	6.7	11.9
164¼	114	Philips Fin 5¾%	£119	..	575	4.8	..
17½	13	Philips Lamps N/V	£16¼	-⅛	..	..	..
280	160	Pilco	255	..	7.5	2.9	13.9
190	120	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	165	..	7.5	4.5	9.0
245	162	Plessey	182	●-2	7.2	4.0	13.4
24⅝	15½	Do ADR 25	£18¾	-⅛	..	..	..
158	118	Pressac	138	..	3.1	2.3	19.8
45	22	Quest Automation	33½	-½	..	..	16.0
234	180	Racal Elect	182	..	4.3	2.4	19.3
488	158	Rotaflex	483	..	7.1e	1.5	25.4
615	445	Scholes (GH)	610	+5	31.4	5.1	13.7
54	30½	Sound Diffusion	42½	●+1½	0.7	1.6	10.7
188	95	STC	154	●+8	2.1	1.4	14.3
216	142	Stone Int	171	●+3	6.9	4.0	32.0
134	78	System Designers	88	..	0.7	0.8	21.7
16⅛	12½	TDK	£14½	+½	..	..	..
253	170	Telephone Rentals	203	..	10.0	4.9	16.9
125	44	Telemetrix	62	..	2.5	4.0	3.5
529	374	Thorn EMI	501	●+4	25.0	5.0	36.6
250	170	Thorpe (FW)	250	..	6.1	2.4	12.4
360	225	Tunstall	275	+5	2.5	0.9	19.0
330	208	UEI	330	+4	7.9	2.4	22.7
273	178	Unitech	190	● ..	9.3	4.9	14.0
285	140	Utd Leasing	160	●-3	5.7	3.6	5.3
180	118	Utd Scientific	160	● ..	8.1	5.1	13.2
505	320	VG Instruments	471	..	3.6	0.8	28.8
323	225	Volex	253	● ..	12.9	5.1	8.4
108	54	Western Selection	73	-1	4.3	5.9	17.1
103	75	Whitworth Elect	88	..	2.2	2.5	13.5
305	230	Wholesale Fitting	305	●+23	12.0	3.9	13.1

FINANCE AND LAND

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
246	211	Abingworth	218	..	1.8	0.8	..
194	126	Aitken Hume	142	..	3.2	2.3	6.0
176¼	71½	Antofagasta	150	..	..	..	..
208	103	Berkley Tech	205	r +½	..	..	..
28	18	Camellia	218	..	..	..	..
263	194	Candover	228	..	17.1	1.0	72.2
43	16	Centreway	28	..	5.7	2.4	37.6
29½	17	Equity & Gen	28½	●+1	1.3	4.6	28.9
185	132	Ivory & Sime	150	..	6.8	5.0	18.6
194	153	Majedie	189	+1	8.9b	4.7	27.1
78	62	Nat Home Loans	67	+1	..	..	..
95	80	Do 8%	£80	● ..	800	10.0	..
148	114	Newmarket	135	..	..	..	..
220	205	Templeton	220	● ..	..	..	..

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FOODS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
180	126	ASDA-MFI	158	●+4	4.6	2.8	17.3
37	21	Alpine Drinks	23	..	2.6	11.3	46.0
381	301	Argyll	333	● ..	11.1	3.3	15.7
355	238	AB Food	316	-2	8.7	2.8	12.3
126	95	Assoc Fisheries	101	+4	5.0	5.0	30.1
607	522	Avana	549	● ..	17.1	3.1	17.6
400	240	Banks (Sidney C)	390	●-10	16.4	4.2	8.8
14¼	12	Barker & Dobson	13⅝	..	..	..	22.2
360	230	Barr (AG)	325	..	13.1	4.0	9.2
201	145	Bassett Foods	166	..	8.7	5.2	12.1
108	88	Batleys	90	..	3.1	3.4	18.1
186	145	Bejam	153	-1½	5.7	3.6	18.5
150	73	Bluebird Conf	98	..	7.4	7.6	27.8
130	54	Br Vending (BVI)	100	..	2.0	2.0	18.5
192	142	Cadbury-Schweppes	178	+1	8.4	4.7	20.8
183	145	Carrs Milling	175	..	8.6	4.9	9.6
270	160	Cliffords Dairies	225	..	10.3	4.6	12.9
241	142	Do 'A'	208	..	10.3	5.0	11.9
280	175	Cullens	175	..	..	..	..
290	220	Dee	261	●+1	10.3	3.9	16.3
201	151	Fisher (Albert)	180	..	3.2	1.8	24.3
316	238	Fitch Lovell	268	●-3	15.0	5.6	13.2
263	188	Glass Glover	216	● ..	5.8	2.7	16.5
148	128	Hazlewood Foods	140	-2	2.3	1.6	20.1
250	168	Hillards	191	● ..	4.7	2.5	16.9
333	187	Hillsdown Hldgs	310	+2	6.0	1.9	19.4
93	75	Home Farm	92	..	4.6	5.0	9.5
587	484	Iceland Frozen	534	+2	9.4	1.8	23.9
292	220	Kwik Save	268	-2	7.4	2.8	21.2
113	85	Lees (John J)	113	..	2.9	2.6	13.9
100	50	Lovell (GF)	95	● ..	5.0	5.3	8.7
620	505	Low (Wm)	570	+5	17.9	3.1	18.0
760	124	Matthews (Bernard)	273	+2	3.9	1.4	24.6
115	93	Meat Trade Supp	108	..	7.6	7.4	14.5
232	150	Morrison (W)	232	+10	1.9	0.8	23.9
257	218	Nichols (JN) (Vimto)	225	● ..	8.8	3.8	14.8
62½	39	Normans	53	● ..	2.7	5.1	21.8
300	258	Nthn Foods	294	-2	11.4	3.9	14.6
190	152	Nurdin & Peacock	184	+4	5.8	3.2	18.0
165	127	Park Foods	150	● ..	6.0	4.0	12.2
269	157	RHM	269	+6	8.0	3.0	18.3
532	365	Rowntree Mac	415	+2	17.4	4.2	11.5
418	344	Sainsbury (J)	414	..	7.9	1.9	24.0
165	122	Salvesen (Christn)	154	..	4.6	3.0	18.5
223	154	Somportex	221	-2	..	..	..
658	520	Tate & Lyle	595	+7	32.1	5.4	12.1
411	285	Tesco	410	..	8.3	2.0	23.4
310	215	Unigate	305	●+2	13.9	4.6	14.6
289	218	Utd Biscuits	246	..	13.6b	5.5	13.3
161	138	Watson & Philip	148	..	8.7	5.9	18.5

HOTELS AND CATERERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
433	328	Grand Met	398	●-3	13.5	3.4	13.3
286	208	Kennedy Brookes	226	..	2.4	1.1	11.7
391	312	Ladbroke	368	+6	16.1	4.4	17.5
565	447	Lon Park Hotels	565	..	14.3	2.5	17.2
100	76½	Mount Charlotte	92	●+1	2.1	2.3	15.2
105	87	Prince Of W Hotels	83	● ..	2.1	2.5	15.0
73	58½	Queens Moat	76½	● ..	2.7	3.5	18.8
405	368	Savoy Hotels 'A'	368	-2	5.0	1.4	14.5
91	56	Stakis	65	..	1.8	2.8	16.0
209	141	Trusthouse Forte	152	●-2	7.9	5.2	15.1

INDUSTRIALS A-D

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
260	178	AAH	235	●+2	11.1	4.7	13.2
239	160	AGB Research	189	●+7	9.6	5.1	30.1
130	95	AIM	130	● ..	8.2	6.3	13.2
671	553	APV	588	+5	16.6	2.8	10.8
110	80	Aaronson	89	●-1	6.0	6.7	9.9
258	172	Adwest	228	..	11.2	4.9	14.5
343	207	Alexandra W'wear	325	..	8.6	2.6	19.8
160	144	Alumasc	157	..	..	..	..
275	130	Amber Ind	233	..	12.1	5.2	10.8
403	155	Appledore	155	..	8.6	5.5	8.5
42	32	Arenson	37	+1	0.6	1.6	7.5
32	23	Armour	27	..	0.3	1.1	13.9
440	355	Ash & Lacey	415	..	28.9	7.0	12.1
91	38	Ashley	47	-1	..	..	41.2
510	212	Ass Br Eng 8%	230	●+15	11.4	5.0	..
83	37½	Aurora	68	..	1.4	2.0	10.7
373	283	Avon Rubber	355	+4	8.6	2.4	12.8
98	43	Ayrshire Metal	48	● ..	1.4	2.9	6.0
283	135	BBA	216	+3	3.4b	1.6	28.0
455	368	BET Dfd	416	●+6	22.9	5.5	15.1
85	62	BETEC	68	..	2.6	3.8	9.2
386	277½	BOC	339	● ..	14.1	4.2	12.9
332	237	BTR	320	+4	8.3	2.8	22.3
202	148	Babcock	188	-1	10.9	5.8	13.7
26¾	16	Bailey (CH)	18¾	..	..	..	18.4
423	280	Baird (Wm)	380	..	18.5	8.3	11.5
310	216	Baker Perkins	265	..	10.7	4.0	3.8
210	128	Barro Ind	185	-5	9.3	4.5	14.0
174	112	Barham	159	-2	2.9	1.8	19.5
495	180	Barlow Rand	285	+10	..	..	..
57	40	Barrow Hepburn	49	..	3.6	7.3	11.7
305	180	Beacon Transport	270	..	25.7e	9.5	8.3
32	21	Baynes (Charles)	23	..	1.9b	8.3	..
241	136	Beacon Clarke	186	-2	10.7	5.8	12.8
89	47	Beauford	65	..	3.8	5.8	8.9
630	151	Beazer (CH)	232	..	6.0	2.6	16.6
443	318	Beecham	416	-2	17.1	4.1	17.3
..	..	Bellair Cosmetics	..	..	..	..	..
49	19	Benlox	42	+4	1.6	3.8	36.2
249	228	Beresford (S&W)	244	● ..	..	..	..
148	85	Berisfords	107	● ..	9.3	8.7	8.7
149	85	Berisfords	107	● ..	9.3b	8.7	8.7
148	85	Berisfords	107	● ..	9.3n	8.7	8.7
136	100	Bespak	121	● ..	6.1	5.0	31.1
552	214	Bestobell	547	..	8.6n	1.6	14.5
620	310	Bestwood	540	-15	8.6	1.6	40.3
335	235	Bibby (J)	235	..	9.6	4.1	14.3
205	140	Biddle	190	..	3.4	1.8	25.8
129	76	Billam (J)	111	..	5.0	4.5	12.7
153	84½	Birmid Qualcast	132½	●-½	6.1	4.6	12.7
200	105	Birmingham Mint	181	● ..	8.9	4.9	10.6
174	137	Black Arrow	140	●+3	7.1	5.1	9.4
236	178	Black (Peter)	240	● ..	2.6	1.1	19.6
61	34	Blackwood Hodge	43½	+½	1.4b	3.2	8.9
403	189	Blue Arrow	401	-2	2.0	0.5	26.6
335	167	Bodycote	280	..	8.6	3.0	11.7
385	265	Booker	368	+3	17.1	4.7	15.8
289	208	Boots	223	+1	10.1	4.5	14.6
24½	8½	Boulton (Wm)	17½	..	..	..	..
353	268	Bowater	328	..	13.2	4.0	19.8
22⅛	15⅝	Bowater Inc	£19¼	..	..	..	..
130	75	Braithwaite Grp	120	..	..	..	..
339	273	Brammer	288	+5	17.9	6.2	12.7
97	62	Bassway	85	● ..	3.2	3.8	8.3
48½	33½	Brengreen	48½	..	2.1	4.3	25.0
50	35	Bridgend Gp	37	..	0.5	1.4	24.7
199	110	Brdon	162	..	7.1	4.4	10.1
240	139	Bridport-Gundry	227	-3	7.4	3.3	17.8
170	115	Br Bldg & Eng App	170	● ..	1.4	0.8	89.5
303	168	BSS Group	290	+10	11.1	3.8	12.5
143	97	Br Syphon	122	..	4.3	3.5	13.0
345	198	Br Vita	340	-5	10.0	2.9	14.5
423	298	Broken Hill	312	+5	..	..	..
145	94	Bromsgrove Inds	114	..	1.9	1.7	19.0
34	15	Bronx Eng	28	+½	0.7	2.6	28.2
49	25	Brooke Tool	34	..	2.0	5.9	8.9
190	142	Brown & Tawse	145	-1	10.3b	7.1	8.9
30	19	Brown (John)	21	..	..	..	..
74	48	Bruntons (Mussl)	71	..	4.3	6.1	14.0
303	200	Bullough	274	● ..	12.4	4.5	13.1
264	136	Burgess	254	+2	3.6	1.4	24.2
84	59	Burns-Anderson	82	-1	4.0	4.9	17.7
108	56	Camford Eng	100	-1	2.5e	2.5	17.0
58	25½	Capero Ind	49	..	2.4	4.9	40.5
80	56	Cape Ind	79	..	2.9e	3.7	12.2
440	253	Carclo Eng	430	●-5	21.4	5.0	10.4
120	58	Castings	105	-3	4.3	4.1	9.9
38½	25½	Celestion	34	..	1.4	4.1	15.9
8	4½	Central & Sheer	5½	..	..	..	11.0
25	13	Centreway Ind	21	-1	..	..	10.3
99	46	CH Ind	94	●+1	3.4	3.8	11.5
88	65½	Chamberlin Ph	65	..	5.6	6.8	12.4
105	58	Chamberlin & Hill	96	..	5.0	5.2	10.5
280	193	Charter Cons	276	+5	18.4	6.9	15.3
640	510	Chemring	550	..	20.7	3.8	12.0
358	263	Christies Int	270	..	7.9	2.9	18.2
68	35	Chrissy Hunt	45	..	..	..	12.7

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
250	132	Clarke (Clement)	239	..	6.5	2.7	55.8
143	98	Clayton Son	138	..	10.0	7.2	9.2
520	380	Cohen (A)	490	..	15.4	3.1	..
216	141	Coloroll Gp	201	..	7.1	3.5	15.6
20½	8½	Combined Tech	12	..	..	..	..
112	71	Concentric	102	-2	5.6	5.5	14.0
88	26	Cont Stationery	86	-2	1.3	1.5	21.8
260	74	Cook (Wm)	235	..	..	..	..
670	356	Cookson	490	+7	11.1	2.3	13.3
80	32	Copson (F)	63	..	2.1	3.3	36.4
111	63½	Cosalt	105	●+2	4.6	4.4	18.3
425	331	Courtney Pope	408	+2	12.9	3.2	13.0
81	40	Cowan De Groot	76	●+7	3.6	4.7	18.0
174	121	Crest Nicholson	155	●+10	6.8	4.4	12.8
224	156	Crown House	208	● ..	11.3	5.4	11.8
218½	112½	Cummins 3¼%	£145½	+8	375	2.6	..
48	32	DSC	40	..	0.7e	1.8	..
315	207½	DPCE	260	..	2.3	0.9	37.8
305	208	Dalgety	298	-2	17.9	6.0	11.4
23½	17½	Dana	£19½	●-½	..	..	..
80	45	Davies & Met 'A'	60	●-3	3.2	5.3	..
263	178	Davies & Newman	263	..	14.3	5.4	8.4
132	92	Davy	128	●-1	8.9	5.4	7.1
380	233	De La Rue	380	+5	15.7	4.1	14.0
238	167	Delta	198	+2	9.3	4.7	9.7
275	188	Denford Stamping	273	..	11.4	4.2	13.7
315	168	Desoutter	240	..	10.4	4.3	10.0
19½	17	Dinkie Heel	19	..	0.6	3.2	21.3
371	180	Diploma	225	..	7.5	3.3	13.9
102½	83	Dobson Park	92	..	7.4	8.0	13.2
110	80	Dom	93	..	7.1	7.6	10.3
123	95	Dominion Int	113	-1	7.9	7.0	12.5
150	25	Dwek	128	-2	..	..	..
97	80½	Dyson (J&J)	83	● ..	6.4	7.7	12.8
86	71½	Do 'A'	75	● ..	6.4	8.5	11.6
313	248	Eastern Prod	301	..	14.3	4.8	7.6
221	158	Edbro	185	..	10.7	5.8	12.1
277	214	EIS	235	..	9.6	4.1	12.9
48½	29½	Elbief	40½	●+1	2.7	6.7	14.7
153	102½	Elsco	135	..	7.9b	5.9	13.5
29⅝	17¼	Electrolux (AE) 'B'	£29	+¼	..	..	..
104	82	Elliott (B)	88	+1	4.3	4.9	21.4
28⅝	18¾	Emhart	£24¾	●+½	13.6	5.8	..
361	282	English China Clay	330	● ..	16.1	4.9	13.1
28⅝	19½	Ericsson (LM) 'B'	£22	-⅛	9.0	0.4	..
184	134	Erskine House	148	..	0.5	0.3	14.4
177½	130½	European Ferries	130½	-½	6.8	5.2	9.6
142	112	Do 5% Prf	133	..	7.1	5.3	..
342	158	Evered	248	..	6.0	2.0	13.4
423	312	Exel	370	-3	14.3	3.9	16.8
55	22	Falcon	42	..	0.7	1.7	93.3
42	25	Feedex Agric Ind	34	..	2.1	6.2	8.6
143	106	Fenner (JH)	132	● ..	7.1	5.4	20.8
75	58	Fife Indmar	60	● ..	5.0	8.3	17.4
638	408	Fisons	636	+5	7.9	1.2	28.3
67	35	Flowtron	62	-2	1.0	1.6	..
124	84	Flexello C&W	92	..	5.6	6.1	6.9
89	31½	Fobel	37	..	0.3	0.8	..
123	96	Fogarty	98	..	8.1	8.4	12.5
41½	27½	Folkes Group N/V	34½	+½	2.0	5.8	8.0
199	157	Fothergill & Harvey	178	..	12.5	7.0	13.3
67	46	French (Thomas)	48	-4	4.1	8.9	90.2
131	84	GEI Int	95	..	8.4	9.0	11.8
385	256	GKN	285	●+3	17.9	6.3	9.6
310	260	GR	295	..	10.0	3.4	8.1
118	60	Garton Eng	110	+4	5.0	4.5	8.3
157	100	Gestetner	111	●-1	2.1	1.9	10.0
150	111	Glaves	124	+2	4.7	3.8	14.1
11¼	758½	Glaxo	£10	..	15.7	1.6	27.0
344	198	Glynwed	310	+2	12.9	4.2	15.5
505	250	Goring Kerr	290	● ..	15.5	5.3	11.1
182	107	Grampian Hldgs	158	+5	5.7	3.6	18.0
312	208	Granada	292	● ..	10.9	3.7	13.2
10⅝	6½	Grovebell	6½	● ..	0.5	7.7	11.5
93	59½	Habit Precision	78	..	2.6	3.3	16.4
232	134	Hall Eng	190	+4	12.0	6.3	9.0
182	126	Hall (M)	132	-2	6.4	4.8	9.9
285	180	Hallite	193	● ..	14.3	7.4	12.1
290	230	Halma	280	..	2.4	0.9	31.2
41	25¼	Hampson Ind	38	● ..	1.8	4.7	9.5
48	20	Hanimex	28	..	..	..	..
195	141	Hanson	182	-1	5.7	3.0	17.1
192	145	Do 8% Cnv	£186	●-4	800	4.3	..
119	98	Do 5½% Pf	115	●-2½	8.2	7.1	..
125½	115½	Do 10%	£124	●-½	0	8.1	..
280	133	Hargreaves	273	..	7.9	2.9	19.0
275	175	Harris (Philip)	250	● ..	13.2	5.3	12.6
628	431	Hawker Siddeley	521	+6	20.7	4.0	11.5
150	90	Hawley	111	..	2.7	2.4	8.8
205	81	Hay (Norman)	200	..	5.4	2.7	36.2
221	140	Hepworth Ceramic	211	+3	10.3	4.9	17.6
201	98	Hestair	173	-3	6.1b	3.5	20.2
98	65	Hewitt (J)	88	..	3.9	4.4	7.8
142	122	Highgate & Job	125	..	..	..	..
87	62	Hollis Bros	87	..	4.3n	4.9	28.0
108	68	Holt Lloyd	95	..	5.7	6.0	13.7
265	148	Hopkinsons	240	+5	10.7	4.5	9.5
120	91	Howden	102	● ..	5.5	5.4	15.3
310	234	Hunting Assoc	310	+5	11.4	3.7	9.6
115	88	Hunting Group	105	..	8.6	8.2	8.0
299	207½	Hutchsn Whampoa	298	+8	..	..	..
191	119	IMI	173	..	7.9	4.6	14.4
315	210	Isoeron	214	+4	1.8	0.8	39.7
295	245	Jacksons Bourne	245	..	8.6	3.5	19.2
145½	96½	Jardine Math	145½	+2	..	..	..
615	473	Johnson Cleaners	580	..	30.4	5.4	15.2
228	133	Johnson Matthey	220	..	3.6	1.6	14.8
44½	32½	Johnson & FB	38½	-½	..	..	18.3
345	235	Johnston	315	+2	10.7	3.4	12.9
140	66	Jones & Shipman	120	+2	5.5	4.6	8.0
132	87	Jourdan (Thomas)	120	● ..	5.5	4.5	16.4
29	21	Kalamazoo	29	..	2.9e	10.0	9.7
38	25	Kalon	31½	-1	1.7	5.4	21.7
325	188	Kelsey Ind	300	..	11.4	3.8	14.6
130	105	Kennedy Smale	126	..	5.7	4.5	12.7
298	230	Kershaw (A)	270	..	21.4	7.9	22.8
215	123	Kleen-E-Ze	200	● ..	8.6	4.3	17.3

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
38	22	LDH	37	-1	0.8	2.2	8.6
158½	120	Lap	121	..	3.6	3.2	23.8
323	218	Laird	244	..	8.6	3.5	8.6
75	42	Lawtex	62	..	3.5b	5.6	8.6
78½	41	Lee (Arthur)	71½	-½	3.3	4.6	10.2
113	69	Leigh Int	113	..	3.2	2.8	21.8
86	64	Linread	74	+1	3.2	4.4	12.4
73	53	Lloyd (FH)	65	-½	5.4	8.3	7.5
35	23	Locker (T)	27½	+½	1.9	6.9	10.0
238	179	Lon Midland	236	● ..	14.2	6.0	13.2
141	95	Do Dfd	141	..	..	..	..
77	59½	Lon & Nthn	75½	..	7.4	9.8	13.2
233	159	Lon Intl	233	● ..	6.1	2.6	16.6
278	134	Longton Ind	266	-7	5.7	2.1	34.1
480	319	Low & Bonar	410	..	15.0	3.7	13.3
415	305	ML Hldgs	415	● ..	11.4b	2.7	15.7
115	64	MS Int	108	● ..	2.9	2.7	9.9
49	31	MY Holdings	42½	..	1.8b	4.2	13.6
393	255	Mccarthys Pharm	333	●+3	16.6	5.0	16.3
160	121	Macfarlane	143	+2	3.7	2.6	19.0
79	43	Maclellan (P&W)	58	+3	2.7	4.6	10.9
288	185	McKechnie	222	+4	14.3	6.4	10.7
130	78	Magnolia	125	..	4.6	3.6	11.5
710	495	Manchester Ship	690	..	8.6	1.2	23.4
79	52	Manganese Bronze	67	..	4.3	6.4	7.9
86	61	Marling	66	● ..	2.5	3.7	8.2
143	65	Marshall (Loxley)	121	-4	5.2	4.3	9.3
183	105	Metal Box	181	-2	6.8	3.8	..
194	128	Metal Closures	143	-12	9.6	6.7	21.4
91	65	Metalrax	79	..	3.2	4.1	13.4
78½	53½	Mitchell Cotts	56	..	6.1	10.9	5.7
125	70	Mitchell Somers	109	-1	5.5	5.0	12.5
196	163	Molins	183	..	11.3	6.2	9.5
318	212	Morgan Crucible	263	..	12.1	4.6	14.7
42	20½	Neepsend	28	..	0.1	0.4	14.5
216	148	Neill (J)	158	..	10.0	6.3	6.7
41	28	Newman Inds	34	..	1.1	3.2	61.5
153	92	Newman Tonks	149	..	10.3	6.9	12.4
133	66	Noble & Lund	128	-2	1.0	0.8	41.3
65	43	Nolton	44	..	1.4	3.2	48.4
289	186	Norcros	262	+1	13.3	5.1	12.5
258	203	Office Elect Mach	220	..	12.1	5.5	9.0
448	247	Parker Knoll 'A'	388	..	15.0	3.9	14.1
3⅝	525	Parrish JT	23¾	..	..	..	..
603	383	Pearson	531	..	14.3	2.7	17.7
27	11	Peak	20½	..	..	..	..
143	88	Peerless	140	● ..	9.0	6.4	9.2
674	332	Pegler-Hattersley	621	..	28.6	4.6	13.2
520	140	Pentland Ind	445	-5	2.0	0.4	25.2
14	775	Photo-Me	£12¾	..	7.5	0.6	33.0
483	311	Pilkington	433	+12	19.3	4.5	11.5
86	51	Plastic Constr	74	●+1	4.1	5.5	13.0
365	195	Portals	330	-5	10.5	3.2	14.2
323	215	Porter Chadburn	301	●-2	2.9	1.0	38.6
314	208	Powell Duffryn	280	..	21.7	7.8	20.3
164	95	Prestwich Hldgs	108	..	1.0	0.9	22.9
190	119	RHP	178	..	6.4	3.6	13.2
158	123	Radiant Metal	145	● ..	3.8	2.5	22.6
589	421	Rank Org	514	+2	22.5	4.4	18.1
228	115	Ransome Sims	172	-2	7.1	4.1	13.9
138	68	Ratcliffs (Gt Bridge)	103	● ..	1.7	1.7	3.7
800	605	Reckitt & Colman	804	-3	22.9	2.8	17.4
245	118	Redfearn Glass	206	-2	2.9	1.4	12.3
380	200	Reed Executive	385	● ..	6.4	1.7	17.4
2⅝	182½	Reed Int	253	..	..	..	..
173	132	Relyon	170	● ..	6.9	4.1	13.7
91	57	Renold	70	+1	2.9	4.1	8.8
108	66	Resmor	104	●+2	6.4	6.2	8.7
520	345	Reuters	511	● ..	5.4	1.1	38.7
39	21	Rexmore	35½	● ..	1.4	3.9	11.5
160	110	Ricardo Eng	155	..	4.1	2.6	16.8
100	55	Richards (Leics)	90	+3	5.0	5.6	9.9
58	19	Richardson West	42	..	..	..	19.1
152	89	Robertson Res	95	●+2	3.6	3.8	11.0
361	151	Robinson (Thomas)	355	..	..	..	48.9
55	30	Rockware	46	-1	..	..	11.0
150	121	Ropner	123	..	9.3	7.6	8.5
146	111	Do 'A'	113	..	9.3	8.2	7.8
3	0½	Rotaprint	2½	..	..	..	1.2
162	118	Rotork	133	● ..	8.1	6.1	10.0
130	88	Russell (A)	86	..	2.3	2.6	27.8

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
38	17	SI	29½	-½	2.3e	7.8	6.2
274	214	Sale Tilney	280	..	9.3	4.0	13.4
99	55	Sandhurst	73	+8	1.8	2.5	61.8
90	49	Saville Gordon (J)	74	-1	3.7	5.0	11.9
491	186½	Scapa	270	+2	8.6	3.2	12.8
141	103	Scott Greenham	134	+1	4.7	3.5	13.4
165	120	Scot Heritable	158	..	4.3	2.7	13.8
170	84	Scott & Robertson	158	+15	3.9	2.5	16.0
164	122	Securicor	128	● ..	1.4	1.1	34.7
154	109	Do 'A'	123	● ..	1.4	1.1	32.1
164	88	Security Serv	116	●+2	2.8	2.4	23.5
52	29	Senior Eng	50	..	2.4	4.8	15.1
136	75	Shaw	118	..	3.9	3.3	6.1
153	103	Sidlaw	123	..	12.9	10.5	7.6
890	703	Siebe	930	● ..	19.3	2.1	16.2
53½	39	Silentnight	50	..	1.4	2.8	60.3
303	180	Simon Eng	233	+2	12.1	5.2	8.0
149	83½	Six Hundred	111	-1	8.3	7.5	19.1
600	386	Sketchley	464	..	25.0	5.4	17.9
35⅝	25⅞	SKF 'B'	£32¼	..	..	..	..
133	94	Smith & Nephew	133	●+1	3.5	2.6	22.7
41	30	Smith Whitworth	40	..	0.4	1.0	27.0
326	228	Smiths Ind	291	+3	6.6	2.3	22.6
225	183	Spear (JW)	190	..	8.6	4.5	14.4
194	128	Spirax-Sarco	168	..	7.9	4.8	12.3
118	66	Stag Furniture	89	..	7.9	8.0	9.7
108	45	Star Comp	103	..	..	..	48.2
610	345	Staveley	536	..	25.0	4.7	12.1
503	354	Steetley	503	+3	18.8	3.7	15.3
120	88	Sterling Ind	110	..	3.9	3.5	26.0
253	170	Stocklake	245	..	17.1	7.0	5.2
98	66	Stonehill	76	● ..	8.6	11.3	8.0
210	163	Stothert & Pitt	190	..	..	..	5.8
224	183	Sunlight Serv	215	..	12.9	6.0	12.8
248	150	Suter	245	+3	6.0	2.4	25.6
284	90	Swire Pacific 'A'	120½	a +8½	..	..	..
43	12	Sycamore	27	..	..	..	..
221	160	Syltone	190	● ..	14.3	7.5	17.4
587	349	TI	471	● ..	20.0	4.2	15.6
195	115	TNT	128	-2	..	..	..
250	85	TSL Thermal	98	+3	4.3	4.4	5.1
555	360	Tace	370	● ..	10.6	2.9	17.3
98⅜	33	Takeda Chem	£97⅝	-1⅛	..	..	..
8¾	5⅞	Talcex	5¾	..	..	..	7.1
85	64	Teflos	95	● ..	4.4	4.8	11.3
170	118	Tex Hldgs	158	●-5	6.4	4.1	13.9
115	91	Third Mile	112	..	3.1	2.8	12.4
275	188	Thomson T-Line	268	-7	..	..	..
333	203	Tomkins (FH)	328	●+3	5.2b	1.6	27.2
349	248	Trafalgar House	297	..	18.9	6.4	8.1
243	200	Transcontinental	241	●-1	13.7	5.7	11.5
195	124	Transport Dev	169	●-1	9.3	5.5	14.5
22	9	Tranwood	14	..	..	..	25.9
90	56	Trefus	59	..	..	..	53.4
..	..	..	..	..	0.1	0.1	57.0
144	76	Triplex	135	-1	2.9	2.1	14.6
241	75	Turner & Newall	197	+2	10.7b	5.4	7.8
125	75	Unigroup	108	●+3	1.6	1.5	21.0
19½	13½	Unilever	£19	..	56.2	2.9	17.4
90¾	56⅞	Unilever (NV)	£90½	-¾	..	..	..
286	212	Valor	255	● ..	7.3	2.9	14.1
540	293	Vickers	415	+2	18.6	4.5	12.0
130	102	Victor Products	120	● ..	7.1	5.9	9.4
165	120	Vinten	139	● ..	2.3	1.7	24.1
204¼	134½	Volkswagen	£177	-5	..	..	..
183	154	VSEL	183	..	6.1	5.0	7.3
205	116	WSL	175	..	..	..	62.3
185	128	Wade Potteries	130	+2	4.4	3.4	13.2
240	156	Wagon Ind	240	●+12	12.1	5.0	12.4
68½	29	Walker (C&W)	59½	..	2.1	3.5	23.0
144	68	Waterford Glass	119	..	1.9	1.6	17.7
198	161	Watshams	171	-2	5.1	3.0	21.8
375	239	Wedgwood	363	-2	14.3	3.9	11.9
154	69	Weir	111	..	4.5	4.1	8.7
231	174	Wellcome	180	..	3.0	1.7	24.0
50½	34½	Wellman	45	..	..	..	19.4
110	55	Westland	83	..	4.3	5.2	28.8
118	78	Weots	108	..	7.9	7.2	15.0
295	210	Whatman Reeve	260	..	3.5	1.3	19.7
124	82	Whessoe	108	+6	7.9	7.3	8.5
263	177	Whitecroft	228	-1	14.3b	6.3	12.0
188	125	Wilkes (James)	143	-2	8.6	6.0	9.0
740	395	Williams Hldgs	670	+5	20.0b	3.0	28.3
180	120	Wills Gp	133	..	8.6	6.5	..
588	428	Wolseley	575	+3	15.0	2.6	18.4
84	56	Wood (Arthur)	63	..	3.6	5.7	13.9
44	26	Wood (SW)	42	..	1.4e	3.3	14.9
93	43½	Woodhouse & Rix	73	● ..	4.3b	5.9	11.5
89	58	Wyndham Eng	70	-3	2.6b	3.7	13.9
178	135	Young (H)	168	..	4.7	2.8	18.9

INSURANCE

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
226	177	Abbey Life	197	+2	9.9	5.0	..
27⅜	22	Alex & Alex	£27¼	●+¼	100	3.6	..
28⅛	23	Am Gen	£25⅞	+¼	80	3.1	..
405	223	Bradstock	385	● ..	8.5	2.3	25.7
917	802	Britannic	854	●+2	44.7	5.2	..
336	226	Com Union	302	-3	17.4	5.8	..
301	226	Equity & Law	268	-3	9.6	3.6	..
431	213	FAI	285	..	..	..	..
954	701	Gen Accident	864	-13	34.3	4.0	21.7
954	720	GRE	859	-20	41.1	4.8	24.9
708	484	Heath C E	484	-20	34.9	7.2	7.2
349	267	Hogg Robinson	327	●+1	13.7	4.2	13.2
288	231	Legal & Gen	275	-3	11.7	4.3	35.0
224	173	London & Man	205	-8	8.5	4.1	6.1
438	257	Lon Utd Inv	423	-5	24.6	5.8	12.4
68⅛	29¼	Marsh & McLen	£49⅝	-2½	220	4.5	..
285	220	Minet	261	+8	11.4	4.4	12.5
348	223	PWS	325	..	12.9	4.0	21.1
15⅝	12	Pearl	£15	●-⅛	68.1	4.4	..
942	718	Prudential	912	..	37.1	4.1	60.2
453	361	Refuge	403	-2	20.4	5.1	..
987	788	Royal	854	-5	38.6	4.5	70.0
415	324	Sedgwick Gp	346	-5	17.1b	4.9	16.5
474	348	Stewart Wr'son	439	-2	15.7	3.6	17.8
445	390	Sturge Hldgs	417	● ..	10.0a	2.4	21.5
772	529	Sun Alliance	732	+5	25.0	3.4	65.9
927	772	Sun Life	902	-5	33.9	3.8	..
550	120	Trade Indemnity	220	..	4.6	2.1	8.0
474	394	Willis Faber	422	..	12.5	3.0	20.0

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LEISURE

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
144	98	Barr & WA 'A'	135	..	10.0	7.4	10.8
220	128	Boosey & Hawkes	155	+5	..	..	23.2
182	98	Brent Walker	182	+6	7.9	4.3	14.1
58	34	Campari	46	..	1.4	3.0	12.3
225	158	Chrysalis	180	-1	8.0	4.4	11.7
410	325	First Leisure	365	..	9.3	2.6	18.7
82½	49	GRA	57	+3	..	..	47.9
81	60	Hardburger Brooks	70	+10	..	..	7.5
128	93	Horizon Travel	122	● ..	6.3	5.2	5.8
131	94	Int Leisure	117	..	7.1	6.1	10.9
103	33	Juliana's Hldgs	51	..	4.3	8.4	19.9
180	137	Lee Int	160	+2	..	..	..
169	130	Medminster	140	..	7.9n	5.6	9.4
391	276	Pleasurama	328	● ..	11.1	3.4	13.5
393	328	Really Useful	368	..	16.1	4.4	15.1
64	43	Riley Leisure	47	..	..	..	26.0
228	134	Saga Holidays	138	● ..	6.6	4.8	11.7
360	155	Samuelson Gp	190	●+5	3.4	1.8	11.3
72	51	Tottenham Hotspur	72	..	5.7e	7.9	13.1
185	126½	Zetters	185	● ..	7.1	3.8	10.8

MINING

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
13⅝	8⅝	Ang Amer Coal	£4⅝	+⅜	..	5.5	57.1
10¼	630	Ang Am	£9⅝	+¼	54.0	5.5	..
57⅝	31	Am Gold	£48	+3	446	9.3	..
58	33	AAIT	£51	+1	271	5.3	..
40	22	Anglovaal	£32	..	142	4.4	..
41	22	Do 'A'	£32	..	142	4.4	..
198	120	Ayer Hitam	150	+10	47.5	31.7	..
425	238	Blyvoors	363	+30	79.0	21.8	..
180	80	Bracken	150	+10	26.0	17.3	..
21⅛	9⅞	Buffels	£16	+⅝	262	16.4	..
358	228	CRA	257	+4	..	..	..
89	39	Carr Boyd	46	+4	..	..	..
544	409	Cons Goldfields	542	+23	35.0	6.5	13.3
531	314	De Beers	489	+24	18.0	3.7	..
200	105	Deelkraal	180	+6	4.0	2.2	..
9⅛	4⅛	Doornfontein	27	+⅝	92.0	13.3	..
13⅝	7	Driefontein	£10⅛	+⅝	126	12.4	..
7⅛	2⅛	Durban	£5⅜	+⅛	..	..	..
295	150	E Daggas	230	+10	..	..	..
594	258	Elandsrand	423	+10	12.0	2.8	..
215	129	El Oro	200	+5	6.6	3.3	13.9
195	85	Elsburg	143	+10	14.0	9.8	..
380	200	E Rand Gold	280	+20	28.0	10.0	..
4⅛	2¼	E Rand Prop	£4⅛	+¼	..	..	..
9	4⅛	FS Cons	£7⅝	+⅝	..	..	..
213	93	FS Dev	180	..	..	..	..
75	17	Geevor Tin	29	..	..	..	1.1
8⅝	4⅛	Genbal	£5⅝	+⅝	60.0	9.1	..
10	6	Gen Mining	£9½	+⅝	87.0	9.5	..
10⅝	5⅜	GFSA	£8½	+⅝	46.0	5.7	..
478	313	GM Kalgoorli	468	+5	..	..	..
58	35	Gopeng	40	..	20.0	50.0	..
113	85	Greenwich Res	113	+5	..	..	..
375	165	Grootvlei	228	+10	54.0	23.7	..
158	91	Hampton Areas	146	..	5.4	3.7	32.8
5⅝	4½	Harmony	£5⅝	+⅝	62.8	9.4	..
350	175	Hartee	320	+17	17.0	5.3	..
61	47½	Johnnies	272½	+2½	345	4.8	..
12⅝	5⅝	Kinross	£9⅛	+⅝	88.0	10.4	..
9⅛	2⅛	Kloof	£8⅝	+⅝	40.0	8.2	..
160	65	Leslie	105	..	28.0	27.6	..
13⅞	6⅛	Libanon	£10¼	+⅝	115	11.3	..
410	170	Lorraine	295	+15	..	..	..
157	64	MIM	79	+3	..	..	..
28	15	Malaysian Mining	28	..	..	..	..
123	60	Marievale	85	..	17.0	20.0	..
44	14½	Metals Exp	44	+1½	..	..	..
23	5⅛	Mhangura	9	+1	..	..	..
9	5⅜	Middle Wits	£8⅝	+⅝	..	..	..
855	450	Minorco	550	+30	10.0	1.8	..
5⅝	2½	New Wits	£4	+¼	23.0	5.8	..
142	73	Nth Broken Hill	92	..	..	..	..
48	25½	Nth Kalgurli	48	+3½	..	..	..
22⅛	10⅛	Orange Free	£19⅝	+½	..	..	..
128	85	Petaling Tin	85	..	..	..	..
289	204	Peko Wallsend	250	+8	..	..	..
25	8⅛	Rand Mines Ltd	£12½	-⅛	..	..	..
445	170	Rand Mines Prop	270	+10	12.0	4.4	7.4
69	15	Randfontein	£63½	+3	651	10.3	..
322	225	Renison	302	+4	..	..	..
791	511	RTZ	619	+10	31.4	5.1	8.2
8	4⅛	Rustenburg	£8	+¼	26.0	3.3	80.3
10⅛	5⅛	St Helena	£8⅝	+⅛	125	15.0	..
169	68	SA Land	98	+10	18.0	18.4	..
31	14⅛	Southvaal	£23⅝	+1½	118	5.0	..
558	273	Stilfontein	413	+30	..	..	..
138	60	Sungei Besi	88	..	..	..	..
138	73	Tronoh	83	..	..	..	..
369	300	Unisel	430	+7	46.0	10.7	..
59⅝	31½	Vaal Reefs	£48⅛	+2½	556	11.5	..
544	233	Venterspost	398	+25	54.0	13.6	..
105	50	Vlakfontein	80	+15	15.0	18.8	..
90	35	Vogels	45	● ..	4.3	9.8	5.9
17	10½	Wankie Colliery	14	..	..	..	..
545	288	Welkom	450	-48	67.0	14.9	..
310	128	Western Areas	218	+8	23.0	10.6	..
29⅝	15	Western Deep	£22½	+1	171	7.7	..
198	114	Western Mining	150	+7	3.0	2.0	..
285	108	West Rand Cons	185	+27	12.0	6.5	..
140	80	Whim Creek	128	+1	..	..	..
17⅝	7½	Winkels	£13	+½	176	13.5	..
56	20	Wit Nigel	33	+3	1.1	3.3	..
13	10¾	Zambia Copper	£13	+12½	..	3.7	7.0
58	28	Zandpan	53	..	..	..	..

MOTORS AND AIRCRAFT

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
250	138	AE	237	..	10.7b	4.5	11.4
169	78	Appleyard	153	● ..	7.5	4.9	7.0
141	70½	Armstrong	125	..	2.2	1.8	16.6
53½	24½	BSG	49½	..	1.6	3.2	15.2
..	..	Blumel Bros	..	..	..	..	..
314	185	Bramall (CD)	294	..	11.1	3.8	15.8
608	421	Br Aerospace	503	-6	22.6	4.5	10.6
151	90	Br Car Auctions	140	-1	5.0	3.6	15.4
273	188	Caffyns	223	..	7.9	3.5	..
215	78	Cowie (T)	191	-1	5.7	3.0	8.9
133	106	Davis (Godfrey)	108	..	6.4	5.9	8.7
241	172	Dowty	232	●+1	7.9	3.4	15.9
115	36	ERF	88	..	..	..	5.7
337	253	FR Group	334	-3	4.6	1.4	22.4
213	125	Ford Motor	190	●-4	7.0	3.6	..
90	65	Gates (Frank G)	78	..	4.3	5.5	8.7
286	228	General Motor	237	●-5	25.0	10.5	..
106	51	Glanfield Lawrence	106	..	..	..	..
114	88	Hartwells	94	-1	3.8	4.0	11.5
529	373	Honda Motor	502	-3	3.8	0.8	..
583	336	Jaguar	526	● ..	12.7	2.4	10.9
142	72	Jessups	119	..	6.1	5.1	9.0
124	65	Kwik-Fit	124	+1	3.0	2.4	17.5
402	289	Lex	384	● ..	15.1	4.7	18.4
201	90	Lookers	201	●+1	7.6	3.8	12.8
653	470	Lucas	553	..	15.7	2.8	11.1
141	116	Perry gp	119	..	6.4	5.4	10.9
91	68	Plaxtons (GB)	70	..	6.4	9.1	9.5
97	51	Quick (HJ)	97	+4	4.1	4.2	13.6
71	29	Rover	40	..	..	..	..
75	43	Supra	74	● ..	3.4	4.6	14.1
70	32	Woodhead (Jonas)	70	●+5	1.4	2.0	11.6

NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
188	164	Accord	168	..	4.4	2.6	20.5
260	195	Assoc Book	213	..	8.0	3.8	13.5
358	220	Assoc Newspaper	336	+3	6.3	1.9	18.4
315	280	Black (A&C)	310	..	14.3	4.6	17.1
730	515	Bristol	665	..	38.6	5.8	18.7
505	450	Collins (Wm)	460	..	11.1	2.4	20.7
380	285	Do 'A'	303	..	11.1	3.7	13.7
145	78	EMAP 'A'	140	..	3.1	2.2	25.0
378	330	Haynes Publishing	355	..	20.0	5.6	18.5
240	85	Home Counties	220	..	10.0	4.5	14.0
380	163	Independent	270	-5	12.0	4.4	..
589	404	Int Thomson	544	..	14.0	2.6	14.4
14⅛	620	News International	£13½	..	14.0	1.0	..
680	445	Octopus	500	..	9.6	1.9	17.8
138	112	Portsmouth Sund	128	..	5.7	4.5	22.6
455	220	Trinity Int	415	..	21.4	5.2	11.9
403	280	Utd Newspapers	380	+7	22.9	6.0	15.2

OIL

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
126	82	Ampol	90	+2	..	..	..
30	9	Aran Energy	12	..	..	..	..
33	10	Atlantic Resources	13	..	..	..	..
681	516	Br Petroleum	583	●+5	46.6	7.3	7.2
17½	5	Bristol Oil	17½	..	..	..	..
380	323	Br Borneo	380	+2	28.6	7.5	13.5
210	98	Britoil	138	●+5	9.3	6.7	3.7
419	259	Burmah	408	..	18.2	4.5	12.6
103	46	Carless Capel	56	..	3.9	7.0	10.4
150	94	Century	141	+7	7.1	5.0	10.3
33	10	Charterhall	23½	-½	..	..	53.4
152	93	Enterprise	138	..	12.1	8.9	5.3
66	24	Gerber Energy	65	+5	..	..	..
312	200	Global N Res	275	..	..	..	..
58	38	Goal Pet	30	..	1.4	4.7	11.3
120	30	Gt Western Res	68	..	2.9	4.3	..
491	271	IC Gas	491	+5	23.9	4.9	12.8
7½	4½	ICC Oil	..	..	..	..	..
54	26	Inoco	28	..	..	..	..
29	11	KCA Drilling	14	..	4.3	30.7	4.7
243	85	LASMO	131	+3	17.4	13.3	4.4
300	130	Do Units	170	..	142	84.0	..
48	15	New London Oil	22	..	..	..	..
143	81	Petrocon	86	..	8.6	10.0	10.8
31	21	Premier	30½	+1½	..	..	19.6
61⅞	43	Royal Dutch	£51⅜	+⅜	226	3.7	..
945	653	Shell	945	+7	50.0	5.3	9.3
165	133	Sabplene	153	..	8.6	5.7	23.5
97	18	Sovereign	30	..	..	..	1.9
23½	11½	TR Energy	12	..	..	..	11.8
153	41	Tricentrol	58	..	7.1e	12.2	2.5
280	80	Triton Europe	140	+5	..	..	19.1
218	125	Ultramar	155	●+7	7.5	4.8	4.8

OVERSEAS TRADERS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
56	31	Borthwick	53	..	0.7	1.3	14.8
158	127	Chillington	146	..	10.0	6.8	12.9
107	75	Finlay (James)	84	..	5.9	7.0	..
395	325	Harrison Crosfield	363	..	28.6	7.8	18.3
421	303	Inchcape	421	+3	25.9	6.2	33.4
37	28½	Jacks (Wm)	32½	..	1.6	4.9	12.1
263	183	Lonrho	215	●+4	17.1	8.0	10.6
48	34	Ocean Wilson	47	..	3.6	7.7	8.2
258	190	Paterson Zoch	218	..	8.6	3.9	7.1
260	190	Do 'A'	218	..	8.6	3.9	7.1
213	126	Polly Peck	153	●+2	7.5	4.9	2.9
50	30	Sime Darby	47	+1	..	..	..
580	555	Steel Bros	560	..	22.9	4.1	12.2
224	81	Tozer Kemsley	178	+2	..	..	61.6
218	153	Yule Catto	215	..	10.0	4.7	9.9

PAPER, PRINTING, ADVERT'G

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
245	210	Abbott Mead	226	..	4.0	1.8	22.0
129	120	Addison Cons	121	..	..	..	..
58	43	Adcom Int	52	-1	1.6	3.1	18.1
258	225	Assoc Paper	245	..	6.9	3.6	14.7
47	31	Ault & Wiborg	43	..	..	..	10.4
158	140	Banner (Charles)	141	..	..	..	..
190	138	Bemrose	171	+1	7.1	4.2	69.8
357	217	Boase Massimi	294	+2	8.2b	2.8	17.1
310	201	BPCC	273	-3	20.0b	7.3	22.3
186	143	Brunning	183	..	7.0	3.6	45.9
185	142	Do R/V	180	..	7.0	3.9	45.1
243	155	Bunzl	235	-5	4.6	2.0	24.1
930	720	Carlton Comm	910	..	9.5	1.0	26.8
225	173	Chapman	203	..	12.0	5.9	20.6
365	176	Cropper (James)	365	..	3.9	1.1	8.3
314	189	DRG	290	-2	11.8	4.1	12.4
186	130	Davidson Pearce	148	+7	3.6	2.4	15.2
540	360	Eucalyptus Pulp	510	+5	7.1	1.4	8.7
281	172	Ferguson Ind	273	..	11.3	4.1	17.1
485	375	Fitch Design	395	..	8.7	2.2	21.5
90	53	Geers Gross	76	..	4.3	5.7	20.7
233	193	Gold Greenless	198	●+3	1.4	0.7	19.2
180	85	Good Relations	101	● ..	7.0	6.9	17.1
293	186	Hunterprint	268	●-2	8.9	3.3	9.8
123	110	Lopex	116	..	..	..	..
420	311	Lowe H-S C-E	393	..	8.6	2.2	23.2
235	140	McCorquodale	223	..	8.6	3.9	22.2
155	93	More O'Ferrall	133	..	5.7	4.3	16.8
155	122	Norton Opax	135	● ..	5.0	3.7	13.6
28	18½	Ogilvy & Mather	£19½	-½	..	..	..
39	28	Olives Paper	39	..	..	..	55.7
865	513	St Ives Gp	760	..	12.9b	1.7	32.0
850	550	Saatchi & Saatchi	735	●+5	22.9	3.1	14.7
150	111	Do 6.3% Cnv Prf	115	● ..	9.0	7.8	..
250	124	Smurfit (Jeff)	245	+6	4.7	1.9	..
220	200	Usher Walker	213	..	10.4	4.9	9.9
215	125	Valin Pollen	155	+10	1.7	1.1	31.8
75	40	Wace	73	+2	..	..	20.3
195	113	Waddington (J)	190	-5	7.4	3.9	17.6
291	220	Walmsough	263	+2	9.3	3.5	13.0
585	320	Wight Collins	530	●+5	6.1	1.2	30.8

PROPERTY

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
86½	24½	Abaco	79	..	0.3b	0.4	..
84	68	Allied Lon	80	..	2.0	2.5	19.0
93	70	Apex	85	..	2.9	3.4	17.8
183	155	Arlington Secs	168	..	..	..	..
139	85	Belgrave	124	+2	6.4	5.2	13.3
302	218	Bilton (P)	292	+2	17.1	5.9	14.8
495	367	Bradford	415	..	12.9	3.1	16.8
188	144	Br Land	172	..	4.3	2.5	14.4
170	138	Broxon	163	..	8.1	5.0	19.2
48	36	Caird (A) &Sons	41	..	..	..	..
233	218	Cap & Counties	233	● ..	7.6	3.3	21.6
280	200	Cardiff Prop	278	● ..	2.8	0.9	..
198	168	Centrovincial	180	..	8.8	4.8	49.3
485	410	Chesterfield	475	..	17.1	3.6	19.7
910	780	CALA	910	..	25.7b	2.8	13.5
171	131	Clarke Nickolls	160	..	9.0	5.6	24.2
279	164	Connells	265	..	6.0	2.3	25.1
20	14	Control Secs	15	..	..	..	2.8
140	98	Country & New	118	..	2.7	2.3	27.0
196	117	County 'B'	180	● ..	5.6	3.1	6.0
280	175	Cussins	260	..	8.6	3.3	59.0
735	470	Daejan	670	●+10	20.0	3.0	12.9
19	5	Dares	18½	..	..	..	..
175	135	Estates & Agency	135	..	4.3	3.2	48.6
120	47	Egerton Trust	82	..	0.7	0.9	..
120	105	Estates Gen	115	..	3.6	3.1	23.9
184	140	Estates Prop	184	..	12.1	6.6	16.1
112	83	Evans Of Leeds	106	..	5.7	5.4	11.8
70	36	Five Oaks	62	..	..	..	8.6
209	170	Frogmore	200	-2	10.1	5.1	12.5
192	146	Gr Portland	186	..	9.4	5.1	23.1
274	202	Greycoat	252	..	3.1	1.2	47.4
16⅜	11	Halwood Gp	£13⅝	-⅛	..	..	..
400	204	Hambro Countrywide	325	● ..	6.6	2.0	..
485	430	Hammerson	445	-5	13.6	3.1	27.6
485	417½	Do 'A'	420	..	13.6	3.2	28.8
248	130	Hanover Druce	243	..	5.0	2.1	23.4
325	233	Hardanger	293	+7	15.1	5.2	11.1
62⅜	46½	Hong Kong Land	58½	-½	..	..	..
380	270	Imry	365	● ..	8.1	2.2	59.3
195	155	Jermyn	195	..	2.9	1.5	85.9
320	273	Laing Prop	288	..	10.0	3.5	14.6
348	278	Land Securities	332	+1	14.0	4.2	22.2
695	358	Lon & Edin Tst	680	..	10.7	1.6	24.5
260	147	Do 6¼%	240	..	9.3	3.9	..
268	218	Lon & Prov Shop	255	..	5.7	2.6	22.5
177	151	Lon Shop Prop	175	-2	7.6	4.3	21.1
350	288	Lynton	330	..	10.4	3.2	24.4
353	275	MEPC	345	+7	15.7	4.6	22.1
128	90	McInerney	122	+7	..	..	..
118	105	McKay Secs	118	● ..	5.2	4.4	13.7
58	44	Markheath	48	● ..	3.1	6.5	17.0
215	125	Merivale Moore	210	..	3.6	1.7	20.6
92	60	Marlborough	88	-1	0.9	1.0	48.6
535	167	Marler Est	490	● ..	5.7	1.2	48.9
10½	510	Mountleigh	950	● ..	14.3	1.5	12.2
780	364	Mountview	780	..	7.1	0.9	11.9
108	82	Muckiow (A&J)	103	..	7.1	7.2	15.8
30	18½	Municipal	18½	..	17.9	0.9	39.3
130	78	New Cavendish	120	..	1.7	1.4	52.9
91	43	Parkdale	88	●-3	2.3	2.6	14.8
282	255	Peachey	268	..	12.1	4.5	35.6
260	72½	Prest Martens	250	-5	..	..	..
234	176	Prop & Rev	234	..	6.4	2.7	39.7
155	107	Prop Hldgs	130	..	4.2	3.2	26.9
135	105	Prop Security	135	●+4	3.6	2.7	25.1
13⅝	8¼	Raglan	11	..	0.1	0.9	..
330	160	Regalian	330	..	2.9	0.9	30.6
645	313	Rosehaugh	580	..	1.1	0.2	..
297	238	Rush & Tompkins	236	● ..	12.2	5.1	12.6
103	78	Scot Met	95	..	5.9	6.2	21.8
195	145	Shield Gp	190	-5	2.9	1.5	31.7
183	142	Slough Estates	182	●+1	8.3	4.6	18.4
445	280	Speyhawk	410	..	13.6	3.3	21.4
173	144	Stand Secs	165	..	6.0	3.6	18.7
94	66	Stockley	86	..	..	..	..
58	45	Town Centre	52	..	1.4	2.7	31.0
260	196	Trafford Park	230	..	16.8	7.3	15.3
148	95	UK Land	143	..	..	..	..
9⅝	525	Utd Real	970	● ..	21.4	2.2	39.7
885	675	Warner	885	..	27.9	3.2	39.2
870	475	Warnford	835	● ..	24.3	3.8	22.7
28	17½	Webb (Jos)	28	● ..	0.7	2.5	35.0
175	142	West & Country	170	..	11.4	6.7	9.7

SHIPPING

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
312½	187	Assoc Br Ports	283	..	7.1	2.5	15.6
395	238	Br Commonwealth	270	..	7.1	2.6	19.0
368	213	Caledonia	235	..	7.1	3.0	41.2
94	56	Fisher (James)	71	-4	4.7	6.6	12.9
603	480	Graig	500	● ..	21.4	4.3	41.5
78	54½	Jacobs (JI)	70	..	5.1b	7.3	53.4
12½	5	Lyle	8½	..	..	..	0.7
41	28	Mersey Docks	32	..	..	..	3.4
238	180	Ocean Transport	237	+2	9.8	4.1	10.9
578	428	P & O Dfd	541	+23	22.9	4.2	15.5
165	95	Runciman (Walter)	148	..	7.1	4.8	28.3
348	132	Tiphook	286	● ..	6.1	2.1	17.7
390	360	Turnbull Scott	385	..	12.9	3.4	53.9

SHOES AND LEATHER

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
360	290	FII	310	..	9.6b	3.1	12.1
208	145	Garner Booth	150	..	14.3	9.5	9.3
45	32	Headlam Sims	39	..	0.7	1.8	..
218	158	Lambert Howarth	181	+6	8.2	4.5	9.1
82	62	Newbold & Burton	64	..	4.4	6.9	19.3
114	82	Pittard	105	..	6.2	5.8	7.3
157	118	Strong & Fisher	144	..	11.4	7.9	5.8
273	188	Stylo	223	● ..	6.4	2.9	27.8

TEXTILES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
573	208½	Allied Text	290	● ..	10.7	3.7	19.8
300	135	Atkins Bros	250	..	10.0	4.0	15.5
169	97	Beale (John)	159	● ..	6.9	4.3	6.0
107	88	Beckman (A)	107	..	8.2	7.7	12.5
144	123	Br Mohair	135	+2	8.6	6.4	8.8
127	60	Bulmer & Lumb	94	..	7.1	7.6	21.5
78½	53½	Coats	75½	● ..	5.7	7.5	..
315	190	Courtaulds	281	+2	9.3	3.3	9.5
180	74	Crowther (J)	180	..	2.1	1.2	14.6
276	198	Dawson	248	..	8.9	3.6	13.3
57	42	Debron	49	●-1	0.7	1.4	38.6
80	25	Dura Mill	45	..	5.7	12.7	6.1
110	88	Foster (John)	76	..	5.0	6.6	6.6
113	88	Gaskell Broadloom	101	● ..	7.9	7.8	7.4
57	33	Hicking Pentecost	37	..	..	..	..
210	90	Ingram (Harold)	160	●+5	4.3	2.7	30.4
88	47	Jerome (S)	78	..	4.3	5.5	7.5
190	132	Lamont	168	-3	6.4	3.8	10.9
190	138	Leeds	190	..	8.0	4.2	12.3
122	54	Lister	119	+1	1.4	1.2	10.3
80	72	Lyles (S)	80	..	8.2	10.3	18.7
115	71	Mackay (Hugh)	110	..	6.6	6.0	15.9
22	10	Munton	15½	..	..	..	5.6
158	94	Parkland 'A'	139	..	6.9	5.0	17.1
47	30	Readicut	42½	..	2.3	5.4	9.8
155	109	SEET	120	● ..	7.6	6.3	8.8
182	133	Sirdar	156	..	6.4	4.1	12.6
70	48	Smallshaw (R)	58	..	3.9	6.6	5.4
140	67	Stroud Riley	127	● ..	4.3	3.4	7.5
188	95	Textured Jersey	150	●+10	8.6	5.7	8.5
205	85	Tomkinsons	181	..	8.6	4.8	14.4
109½	75½	Tootal	101	-½	5.7	5.6	10.5
350	235	Yorklyde	263	-5	10.0	3.8	8.2

TOBACCOS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
431	306	BAT	423	-3	17.3	4.1	11.0
167	127	Rothmans 'B'	165	●+1	9.6	5.8	5.3

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
98¾	94⅞	Exch 2½% 1986	98⅝	..	2.5	7.771
102¾	100⅛	Exch 14% 1986	100⅝	..	13.9	10.141
103	95½	Exch 13½% 1987	101½	..	13.1	9.782
100⅞	93⅛	Treas C10¼% 1987	100⅛	..	10.2	9.748
97⅝	92⅛	Exch 2½% 1987	97⅝	..	2.6	7.388
101½	95⅝	Exch 10½% 1987	100½	● ..	10.4	9.713
98⅜	93⅝	Fund 6½% 1985-87	98⅛	..	6.6	8.933
101¼	95⅞	Treas 10% 1987	100½	..	10.0	9.721
97⅛	90⅞	Treas 3% 1987	96⅝	..	3.1	7.355
104½	97¼	Treas 12% 1987	102¼	-⅛	11.7	9.680
99¼	92¾	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	97¾	-⅛	7.9	9.278
104⅝	96½	Exch 10½% 1988	101⅛	-⅛	10.4	9.801
102⅜	94⅜	Treas C9¾% 1988	100⅛	-⅛	9.7	9.581
94¼	86½	Treas 3% 1978-88	92⅞	..	3.2	7.191
102⅛	92⅞	Treas 9½% 1988	99⅝	-⅛	9.5	9.627
107½	93½	Treas 11½% 1989	104½	-⅛	11.0	9.501
105⅝	95½	Treas 10½% 1989	102⅛	-⅛	10.2	9.563
104½	93½	Exch 10% 1989	101	-⅛	9.9	9.557
111⅝	94⅞	Exch 10¼% 1989	104⅛	-⅛	9.8	9.802
107½	94	Exch 11% 1989	103⅝	● -⅛	10.6	9.492
93⅛	84½	Treas 5% 1986-89	91	-⅛	5.5	8.260
103⅝	92⅛	Treas C9¾% 1989	99⅝	-⅛	9.5	9.537
92	82⅝	Treas 3% 1989	89⅝	-⅛	3.3	7.165
114¼	103½	Treas 13% 1990	110	-⅛	11.8	9.408
86⅝	76⅛	Exch 2½% 1990	83¼	-⅛	3.0	7.126
109⅛	94⅛	Exch 11% 1990	104⅝	-⅛	10.5	9.433
113⅛	100	Exch 12½% 1990	109	● -⅛	11.5	9.466
88⅜	79⅝	Treas 3% 1990	86	-⅛	3.5	7.362
100⅛	89⅛	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	97½	-⅛	8.5	8.922
105½	92⅝	Treas 10% 1990	101⅞	-⅛	9.8	9.472
112½	99	Treas 11¾% 1991	107⅛	-⅛	10.9	9.456
94¼	84½	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	91	● -⅛	6.3	8.108
110¼	98⅝	Exch 11% 1991	105⅛	-½	10.4	9.458
86⅛	83	Treas 3% 1991	83	..	3.6	—
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
118⅛	103	Treas 12¾% 1992	113⅛	-½	11.3	9.556
107¼	91¼	Treas 10% 1992	102¼	-½	9.8	9.452
109⅛	95½	Treas C10¼% 1992	104⅛	-½	10.1	9.505
117½	100¾	Exch 12¼% 1992	111½	-½	11.0	9.564
123½	102½	Exch 13½% 1992	117⅛	● -½	11.5	9.671
108	94⅝	Treas 10% 1993	102¾	-½	9.8	9.532
121⅛	103⅛	Treas 12½% 1993	114½	-½	10.9	9.538
91⅛	78½	Fund 6% 1993	90⅛	● -½	6.7	7.831
128	111⅞	Treas 13¾% 1993	120⅜	-½	11.4	9.650
133⅛	105½	Treas 14½% 1994	126¼	-½	11.5	9.527
122⅛	97⅛	Exch 12½% 1994	115⅛	-½	10.8	9.705
127⅛	110½	Exch 13½% 1994	120	-½	11.3	9.746
103⅜	88¼	Treas 9% 1994	97½	-½	9.2	9.434
120	100¼	Treas 12% 1995	113	-½	10.6	9.729
78¼	68½	Gas 3% 1990-95	78⅛	-½	3.8	6.254
110⅛	91⅛	Exch 10¼% 1995	103¾	-½	9.9	9.650
126	108⅛	Treas 12¾% 1995	118¼	-½	10.8	9.711
133¼	112½	Treas 14% 1996	125¼	-½	11.2	9.790
103⅛	87	Treas 9% 1992-96	97⅛	● -½	9.2	9.451
142⅛	122½	Treas 15¼% 1996	133⅛	-1	11.4	9.817
130½	111⅛	Exch 13¼% 1996	121⅛	-1	10.9	9.710
84½	74½	Rdmpt 3% 1986-96	83⅝	● -½	3.6	..
108⅛	101¼	Conv 10% 1996	102⅛	-½	9.8	9.676
131	110	Treas 13¼% 1997	122½	-1	10.8	9.751
112⅛	93½	Exch 10½% 1997	105⅛	-½	10.0	9.689
101⅛	78⅛	Treas 8¾% 1997	95⅛	-½	9.2	9.493
142⅛	122⅛	Exch 15% 1997	133⅛	-1	11.2	9.985
88½	73¼	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	82⅛	-½	8.2	9.230
107⅛	88½	Exch 9½% 1998	100⅞	-½	9.7	9.649
148⅛	126½	Treas 15½% 1998	139¼	● -1½	11.1	9.940
124¼	105⅛	Exch 12% 1998	115⅛	-1	10.4	9.789
107⅛	88⅛	Treas 9½% 1999	100⅛	-1	9.5	9.474
128½	103⅛	Exch 12¼% 1999	118⅛	● -1	10.4	9.775
114	98⅛	Treas 10½% 1999	106⅛	-½	9.9	9.585
112⅛	94½	Conv 10¼% 1999	104⅛	-½	9.8	9.664
133½	111⅛	Treas 13% 2000	124⅛	-1	10.5	9.808
98	95⅛	Conv 9% 2000	96½	● -1	..	9.664
111⅛	91⅛	Treas 10% 2001	103⅛	-1	9.9	9.543
109⅛	89⅛	Conv 9¾% 2001	101⅛	-1	9.6	9.542
137½	117¼	Treas 14% 1998-01	128⅛	-1	10.9	9.932
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
111⅛	94½	Conv 10% 2002	103⅞	-1	9.6	9.531
124⅛	103⅛	Exch 12% 1999-02	116	-1	10.3	9.875
109⅛	90	Treas 9¾% 2002	102⅛	-1	9.5	9.519
112½	93⅛	Treas 10% 2003	104⅛	● -1	8.8	8.507
139⅛	116⅛	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	129⅛	-1	10.6	9.825
123½	104	Treas 11½% 2001-04	114⅛	● -1½	10.0	9.548
112⅛	94⅛	Treas 10% 2004	104⅛	-1	9.6	8.496
60½	48⅛	Fund 3½% 1999-04	58	-1	8.3	8.311
108⅛	80⅛	Conv 9½% 2004	100¼	-1½	9.5	8.481
109⅛	95½	Conv 9½% 2005	100⅛	-1½	9.4	9.454
108⅛	90⅛	Conv 9½% 2005	100⅛	-1½	9.4	9.449
117⅛	94⅛	Exch 10½% 2005	109⅛	● -1½	9.6	9.465
134⅛	112⅛	Treas 12½% 2003-05	124⅛	-1	10.0	9.682
95⅛	79¼	Treas 8% 2002-06	88⅛	● -1	9.1	9.305
107½	102	Conv 9¾% 2006	102⅛	-½	9.5	9.490
127⅛	104⅛	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	117⅛	-1½	10.0	9.587
94½	92½	Treas 8½% 2007	92½	-1½	9.2	9.340
143⅛	115⅛	Treas 13½% 2004-08	133⅛	● -1½	10.1	9.576
95½	86⅛	Treas 9% 2008	87⅛	● -1½	9.1	9.286
72⅛	57½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	65⅛	● -1	8.4	9.007
93⅛	76⅛	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	85⅛	-1	9.1	9.162
138	113½	Exch 12% 2013-17	125⅛	-1½	9.5	9.377
UNDATED						
45⅛	38¼	Consols 4%	43½	-½	9.3	..
42	34½	War Ln 3½%	38⅛	-½	9.2	..
52½	44⅛	Conv 3½%	50½	● -½	7.0	..
34½	29½	Treas 3%	32½	● -½	9.2	..
29½	24½	Consols 2½%	27½	● -½	9.2	..
29½	24½	Treas 2½%	27½	● -½	8.2	..
INDEX-LINKED						
123	114½	Treas IL 2% 1988	123	● +½	2.1	1.834
107⅛	98½	Treas IL 2% 1990	107⅛	+½	2.1	2.455
122	108¼	Treas IL 2% 1996	120	● +½	2.4	3.442
107⅛	93½	Treas IL2½% 2001	104⅛	● +½	2.9	3.455
107⅛	93½	Treas IL2½% 2003	103⅛	+½	3.0	3.420
110⅛	96⅛	Treas IL 2% 2006	102⅛	+½	2.6	3.371
110½	95¼	Treas IL2½% 2009	102⅛	+½	3.0	3.295
105½	92⅛	Treas IL2½% 2011	108⅛	+½	3.0	3.247
111⅛	97	Treas IL2½% 2013	90⅛	+½	3.0	3.198
94⅛	79¼	Treas IL2½% 2016	98⅛	+½	3.0	3.153
102⅛	87⅛	Treas IL2½% 2016 A	98⅛	+½	2.6	3.130
98⅛	97¼	Treas IL2½% 2020	97	+½	3.0	3.113

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12⅛	8⅛	Bankamerica	£8⅝	..	..	..	..
260	173	Bank Of Ireland	178	..	17.0	9.6	..
11	8	Bank Leumi Israel	£11	..	..	..	..
260	230	Bank Leumi UK	240	..	16.0	6.7	11.2
489	384	Bank Of Scotland	422	-5	20.0	4.7	9.3
580	429	Barclays	512	●-5	28.1	5.5	7.4
46	32	Benchmark	42	..	..	..	..
740	410	Brown Shipley	470	..	13.6	2.9	22.0
435	280	Cater Allen	333	..	28.9	8.7	41.7
58½	36	Cattles	54½	● ..	2.9	5.3	15.1
32⅝	24⅞	Chase Manhattan	£27⅝	-⅛	139	5.1	..
42⅝	33½	Citicorp	£39⅛	-1	205	5.6	..
80	45	Com Bank Wales	69	..	3.4	4.9	11.3
116	80½	Commerzbank	£112½	-3½	8.0	0.1	..
280½	215½	Deutsche Bank	£274	-5½	200	4.4	..
212	148	First Nat Finance	194	..	6.6	3.4	11.9
378	242	Gerrard Nat	294	..	22.1	7.5	9.1
102	66	Guinness Peat	86	..	2.9	3.4	13.7
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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

Norwich and Prudential in £60m shop scheme

● Norwich Union, the insurance company, will unveil tomorrow its plans for a £60 million joint retail development with the Prudential Corporation – a 350,000 sq ft scheme at Ilford, north-east London.

Norwich Union and the Prudential want permission from the London Borough of Redbridge for a three-level centre linked to Marks and Spencer, Littlewoods and C&A. There will be a department store, 90 unit shops, other large stores, a food court, restaurants and parking for 1,000 cars. Hillier Parker and Bernard Thorpe & Partners, the letting agents, say several retailers are interested in taking the department store.

Last week Norwich Union announced it had bought the headlease of Fountain House in the City of London for £27.51 million from the Stewart Wrightson Group. The purchase, through Edward Erdman, shows the insurance company an initial yield of 7 per cent.

But the potential for capital and rental growth within the 100,000 sq ft office building in Fenchurch Street, must be enough to reduce that significantly. The freeholder is the Clothmakers Company.

Norwich attributes part of its good performance to its investment in commercial property, and could spend up to £325 million in the sector this year.

● Guardian Royal Exchange, the insurance company, has bought the former ABC cinema site at Maidenhead, Berkshire, from Boothbourne Properties. Permission has been obtained for 30,000 sq ft of offices and a replacement 5,300 sq ft cinema on the site. The scheme will have a value of £7 million on completion. The joint letting agents are Goldstein Leigh Miles, Edwin Hill & Partners and Richard Ellis.

● London & Caltrust Properties, the joint venture company between London & Metropolitan Estates and Caltrust Developments, the Scottish company, has C&A as its anchor tenant for its £21 million, 100,000 sq ft shopping centre in Ayr, Scotland.

C&A is taking a 19,000 sq ft store on a 125-year lease at a peppercorn rent, paying a substantial premium for the shop. The developer says that half the scheme will be pre-let by the end of this month, ready for opening at Christmas 1987. The joint letting agents are Healey & Baker, Strutt & Parker and Donald Stewart & Co.

● Hunting Gate Developments and Allied Dunbar Property Funds have sold 10.75 acres of land on their Shire Park business park at Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, to the Digital Equipment Company.

Hunting Gate is developing two speculative buildings at the entrance to Shire Park with 37,600 sq ft and 23,500 sq ft. ICI has permission for a 160,000 sq ft office complex on 14 acres of the scheme, leaving 32 acres still to be developed.

● Samuel Properties, which recently agreed an £86 million merger with Clayform Properties, has sold its 200,000 sq ft office development in Los Angeles for $37.5 million (£25 million).

The building, pre-let to Hughes Aircraft Corporation, part of General Motors, on a 10-year lease with agreed annual rent rises, has been bought by the Shuwa Corporation for cash. It is located next to Los Angeles International Airport.

United Real buy lifts Mountleigh into big league

By Judith Huntley

The Mountleigh Group, the *Yorkshire textile company*-turned-property developer, will be transformed into one of the sector's larger and more interesting companies through its agreed acquisition of United Real Property Trust, the old established property company. Its £117 million offer for United Real closes this afternoon.

Mountleigh is paying a healthy price for United Real by offering 975p per share.

United's last stated net asset value was 744p per share. But Mountleigh believes United's true worth is 1250p per share, making its offer stand at a 28 per cent discount.

Dramatic leap

Mountleigh is likely to develop the most attractive parts of the United Real portfolio, including State House, an office block in Holborn, central London, which alone could have a site value of £35 million.

But much of the rest could be sold, providing Mountleigh with useful cash.

It is a policy already being applied successfully to the £58 million portfolio of properties which Mountleigh acquired from Samuel Properties before that company's merger with Clayform Properties.

Sales are under way and the Effra site on the south bank of the Thames in London was sold by Mountleigh almost immediately it was acquired from Samuel.

Mountleigh has also bought the art deco Hoover factory in west London for just under £10 million.

At least two potential purchasers are believed to be offering substantially more than that to buy the building from Mountleigh now.

The deal with United Real has involved several months of painstaking talks with Mr Maurice Wohl, United Real's former chairman and a 51 per cent shareholder who now lives in Switzerland.

It will be a dramatic leap forward for Mountleigh, a fast-growing company which has seen its share price treble between January last year and its bid for United Real.

It was only in 1981 that Mountleigh sold its textile interests to concentrate full time on property development.

Since 1981, Mountleigh's earnings per share have risen from 7.47p to 77.67p by April 1986. Dividends have more than doubled in that time, with assets per share rising from 118.96p to 548.79p.

But behind the apparent overnight sensation lies 20 years or more of work by the company's driving force, Mr Tony Clegg, the Lancashire-born and educated man who is now Mountleigh's chairman and chief executive.

Mr Clegg arrived at the Mountain Mills Company, the Yorkshire textile company, as manager in May 1961, becoming a director two years later.

Leigh Mills merged with Mountain Mills in 1966 and Mr Clegg became a director of the new company.

Transformation

By 1972 he was the joint managing director of Leigh Mills.

The transformation from textile company to property company started in 1976 and it was in 1979 that Leigh Mills became Mountleigh.

Three years ago, Mr Clegg became Mountleigh's new chairman and has overseen its growth as one of the sector's highly rated companies.

Industrial rents 'are in their best position since 1970s'

The industrial property market is seeing sustained improvement in rents, an important barometer of the sector. The closer balance between supply and demand especially in the South-east of England and some areas of the Midlands is due to the brake on new development which has been operating in the private sector for the last five years.

Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks, in its latest survey of industrial rents and rates, argues that the sector is in its most favourable position since the late 1970s.

Industrial rents in most of the 24 centres surveyed, show rises. And if interest rates continue to fall, there will be a further incentive for industrialists to resurrect investment plans, thereby benefiting the property market, the survey says.

But it sounds a warning that if the present stability between supply and demand in some areas is to continue, new institutional money coming into industrial property will need to increase by 400 per cent. This would allow the rate of development to return to the levels before the recession.

The firm has also examined the impact the Government's proposed rating revaluation and uniform business rate in the pound will have on industrial property. The chart shows which areas will benefit and which suffer if the new system comes into being.

Debenham Tewson says there will be a substantial reduction in liability for rates once the revaluation is completed in 1990. Rental growth has lagged behind that for shops and offices which will lead to a significant shift in the rates burden away from the industrial sector, particularly in the North of England and the Midlands. Only the more prosperous areas such as Berkshire are likely to face higher revaluations.

But plans to introduce a uniform business rate in the pound will result in an increase in the rates levied for 56 per cent of industrial space. The rates payable will fall in the large cities but industrialists operating outside the metropolitan areas will see a hefty rise in their rates burden.

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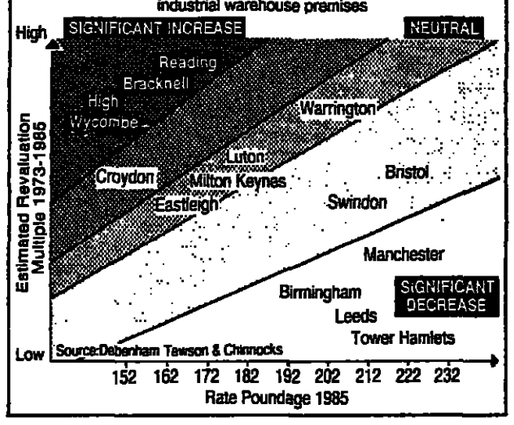

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Training will not succeed unless it is made part of the management process, reports Trish Nicholson

It is undeniable that training in Britain is critically under-resourced and is too often the first fringe benefit to be cut when order books look thin. This is about as effective as if British Rail doubled its prices because there were half as many customers as last year, and it creates the same kind of vicious circle.

But simply increasing training budgets does not necessarily result in either a greater quantity or quality of learning. More to the point, it does not guarantee that the learning will be applied to increase performance on the job. This is particularly true of management training, which, ironically, has a higher unit cost than almost any other type of training.

Industry is not getting value for its meagre levels of investment in training and the remedy is largely in its own hands. The reason is the low status of training within companies, and the limited view of its contribution towards achieving company objectives.

At the simplest level, training undertaken by managers should be geared to the requirements of the role they perform or are being prepared for. Stories of managers who excel in a management course and return to their desks full of good ideas only to be told by the boss to "forget all that stuff and get on with the job" are legion.

A recent survey by the Alfred Marks Group revealed that 67 per cent of managers interviewed had not applied what they had learned on courses. Another 23 per cent had made no attempt to do so, and the remaining 44 per cent had been unable to because of "the entrenched attitudes of bosses, company power structure and lack of resources".

With the average management course costing at least £1,000 a week, this represents a significant loss on investment, not to mention demotivation of the managers, the costs of which is no less real even it is more difficult to quantify.

This problem could be overcome if management development was planned systematically with the full commitment of the chief executive. The line managers should be involved too. They should brief the trainees on the purpose of the course and on what is expected of them on their return. Afterwards, debriefing should check out what has been learnt, provide opportunities for direct application of it, and result in a plan of action agreed with superiors.

This degree of involvement provides an incentive for those being trained by increasing the expectations the company has of them, and it leads the company to examine more closely just what it is buying by way of management training. Companies should be challenging their providers of training to design "courses for horses", rather than off-the-shelf packages of what is readily teachable.

These measures would enable companies to get better value from current investment, but the problem of improving performance goes much deeper than this. It penetrates the whole structure and culture of the organization.

Even where systematic programmes of management development do exist, they often fail because values inherent in the programme, while successful at the level of personal development, are inconsistent with the culture and values of the company as a whole. This results in uncertainty, frustration and disruption. Achieving the match between management development and company ethos depends on the status of training within company structure.

If the training function becomes encapsulated within a departmental structure, it becomes isolated from the decision-making process which determines company direction, and is unable to initiate input to corporate planning or respond rapidly enough to its needs. The concept of the company trainer as a "catalyst" implies an unchanging and mechanistic stability which is no longer appropriate. Management training should play a role which is pro-active and organic in its contribution to company objectives and its capacity to be fashioned by them.

This involves more than just courses, however well designed. Management development practitioners need the authority to engage training as a way of working, to the extent that individual development and corporate development interact with and boost each other. This can be achieved only by enmeshing training with the company's management processes.

The methods themselves are not new; it is the use made of them which creates the impact on performance. They include planned experience such as departmental rotation, used extensively in Japan; delegation of major projects to give responsibility as early as possible in a manager's career; secondment to other sectors to broaden perspectives; and "action learning" on Professor Revan's model, which has enjoyed marked success in Belgium.

The model is that managers learn best from sharing one another's problems and challenges in small stable groups. Hard questioning and discussion determine appropriate action, on which group members give frank but supportive feedback. The American system of mentoring is a further component which can have a summative effect on other methods.

Such a regime demands from its practitioners high levels of interpersonal skills, as well as intimate knowledge of company operations and objectives. Pump-priming investment should begin with the training managers. Those responsible for management development need to report direct to the chief executive, from whom the direction and values of the organization emanate, and to have access to all sections of the company.

Management training, which should be the seed corn of economic growth, is too often falling on stony ground for want of a receptive learning environment within industry.

Trish Nicholson, an anthropologist, is regional training adviser for the Highland Regional Council and tutor in management with the Open Business School

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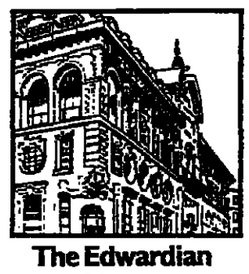
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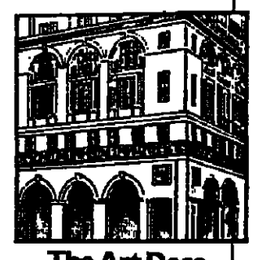
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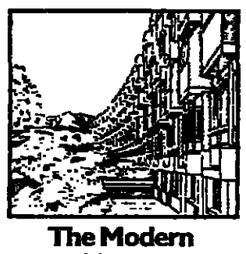
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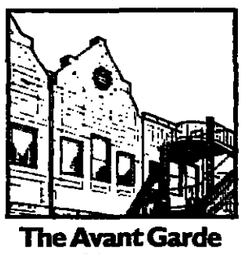
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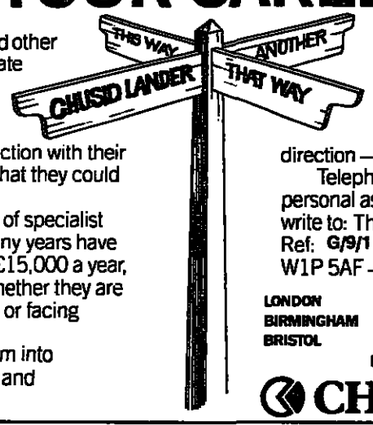

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America's Cup diary

American crews need bailing out

Less than a month before the selection trials commence at Fremantle, the American syndicate bosses are realizing too late that nothing comes free in this world. At a recent meeting, held in New York, between the challenging syndicates, all six US crews reported a serious shortage of funds.

"The race for sponsorship is as competitive as the race for keels," Charles Ward, marketing director of Dennis Conner's Santiago group, said. Both his syndicate and that representing the New York Yacht Club report a $4 million shortfall in their $15 million budget. Chicago's Heart of America challenge requires a further $2.7 million to cover its $7 million spending plans and the Golden Gate challenge of San Francisco has so far raised only $4.3 million towards its $7 million budget.

Funds are so short in the Courageous camp that Leonard Greene, the syndicate's boss, was forced to cancel plans to build a replacement for their 11-year-old boat. Now, all are left to ponder on what they might have received had each syndicate been more commercial in its outlook.

Last February Philip Morris put through a proposal offering the six syndicates more than $4 million providing they participate in a regatta on the west coast. Last month the offer of $1 million by American Express was summarily withdrawn after two of the syndicates objected to the proposal worked out with the US Yacht Racing Union to distribute the funds on a performance related basis.

Britain's Royal Thames Yacht Club group may have set their sights much lower, but having beaten their £5 million target, the team must now be in a better financial state than those high-spending groups now forced to make significant cutbacks just as the Cup races begin.

● One eminently sensible change to come out of the meeting of syndicate heads in New York was the agreement that crews who fall overboard may now be picked up by the rubber support boat instead of waiting for their yacht to round up and return.

Five crews went for an unexpected swim during the 12-metre world championship off Fremantle last February and it is still a wonder none were injured in the mêlée as the 25-ton yachts crashed round the marks just feet apart.

The support boats are now allowed to move in immediately to pluck the hapless crew members out of the water but must then turn off their engines and drift until the 12-metre concerned returns for the pick up.

● Who did develop the wing keel concept that won the Cup for Australia? Was it the brainwave of Australia II designer Ben Lexcen, the test tank talent of The Netherlands ship model basin (NSMB), as the New York Yacht Club members believe, or was it Joop Sloof, the scientist working with the Dutch aerospace laboratory?

In a book entitled *Keelhauled*, which is published this week, the American journalist, Doug Riggs, has set the cat amongst the pigeons by giving the credit to Sloof.

The story has received an immediate riposte from Dr Peter van Oossanen, director of research at the ship model basin, who says in a telex sent to the publishers, Stanford Maritime: "He only carried out computer calculations on a sub contract basis and had no knowledge of the full extent of the research work carried out at the NSMB. It is an injustice to the work carried out by Lexcen and NSMB that this book should rotate around the role played by Sloof who even today is claiming it was all his brainwave."

Wing keels aside, Riggs's book, which traces all the underhand actions that have occurred since the schooner America first won the "100 Guinea Cup" in 1851, provides a good read, setting the scene for another round of chicanery at Perth.

● The Britons earned another psychological boost this week from two informal races against South Australia and Dennis Conner's newly arrived Stars and Stripes. Crusader I shared the honours with South Australia, with both boats leaving the Sandiago sailors well in their wake in the light conditions that prevailed.

● Dates for the diary.
Challenger elimination trial: First round robin series, October 5-20; second round robin series, November 2-19; third round robin series, December 2-19. Louis Vuitton Cup: Semi-finals, December 28-January 7; finals, January 13-23. Defence trials: First round robin series, October 18-30; second round robin series, November 9-21; third round robin series, December 2-20; Semi-finals, December 26-January 8; Defender cup final, January 14-28. America's Cup races, January 31-February 15.

Barry Pickthall

SPEEDWAY

Taste of sour grapes

By Keith Macklin

Outbursts of anger from volatile riders are nothing new amid the fierce tensions of the world championship. However, Hans Nielsen's victory in Poland last Saturday was marred by a bitter explosion from Tommy Knudsen, and comments from the deposed champion, Erik Gundersen, which smacked more than a little of sour grapes.

Nielsen's failure to beat Gundersen in the past two finals has been attributed to his lack of "devil", an ultimate unwillingness to take borderline risks on crucial bends. There is little doubt that Ivan Mauger, the six-times world champion who was his pits adviser last Saturday, told him to "go for it".

Nielsen did, and in the controversial fifteenth heat, Knudsen crashed, his bike injuring the Italian rider, Armando Castagna. When Knudsen was blamed, and excluded by the referee from the re-run, he blew his top at the referee, and laid the blame for the incident on Nielsen.

Such altercations are not unknown at this level, but Knudsen says that without the spill he would have won the heat and gone on to take the title. There may be a small amount of sympathy for Knudsen and for the Swedish referee who had to make a hairline decision. There will be less sympathy for Gundersen, who took defeat ungraciously, criticizing Nielsen's riding tactics in a classic example of the pot calling the kettle black.

Nielsen himself is happy enough to have won at last, and like all winners can afford to shrug off the complaints of the losers. He will now move up the money bracket, and his success also means a financial boost for the Bradford promoter, Alan Ham.

The proposal to make the world individual final a two-day event in The Netherlands next year is getting a mixed reception. The school of thought is that a two-day event will build up the excitement over a longer period, and increase gate income. But many riders believe that a championship spread over two days will kill off the sudden death excitement of a single meeting, an essential factor in attracting a speedway crowd.

Harvest of death on the rivers

By Conrad Voss Bark

FISHING

Ministry officials have gone away in a sober mood after being told by regional authorities in England and Wales of the havoc caused by agricultural pollution on salmon and sea trout rivers. Latest reports come from Wales where fish mortality from farm wastes have increased dramatically since the mid-1970s. Many major rivers and numerous tributaries have lost millions of fish and fish eggs.

It is impossible to quantify the total losses but a Welsh fishery scientist, Mr G T James, in the latest report of the Atlantic Salmon Trust, gives details of many thousands of fish killed in numerous rivers during the past few years.

One slurry discharge from a farm killed an estimated 5,100 salmon, 120 sea trout, and 17,000 brown trout. Last year a tributary of the Teifi suffered a fish kill along a 4.5-kilometre stretch at the height of the salmon and sea trout spawning season from a discharge of the fungicide, sodium penta chlorophenate, inadequately stored at a disused mushroom farm.

"There is no doubt that salmonid spawning areas have been seriously affected, if not by background pollution, then by sporadic larger discharges of shorter duration. Some tributaries of major rivers do not support fish life whilst others sustain reduced stocks. Lower levels of pollution, whilst not causing fish mortalities, can affect a stream's plant and animal life and render it unsuitable for fish to survive."

Publicity campaigns and advice to farmers have increased but "it has been consistently emphasized that it is a preference of the Authority (Welsh Water) to co-operate whenever possible with farmers faced with problems rather than to instigate legal proceedings." However, Mr James says a "new tough policy" is being brought in this year. Whether this means that more farmers are likely to be prosecuted for polluting the rivers is by no means clear.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

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FOOTBALL
FA CUP: Preliminary round replay: Boldmere St Michael v Oldswinford (6.0).
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wed v Derby (7.0). Second division: Port Vale v Notts County (7.0).
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SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Second division: Bristol Rovers v Luton (7.0); Tottenham v Bournemouth (6.0).

RUGBY LEAGUE
STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Leigh v Warrington (7.30).

OTHER SPORT
CROQUET: Chairman's Salver (Southport); Spencer-Ell Cup (Budleigh Salterton), President's Cup (Hurlingham); Cheltenham Tournament.
EQUESTRIANISM: Burghley Horse Trials.
GOLF: Women's Home Internationals (Whittington Barracks GC); Women's Bowring Scottish Open (Dalmahoy); West of England Open Amateur Championship (Burnham and Berrow).
POWERBOAT RACING: Guernsey.
SQUASH RACKETS: Warrington invitation tournament (Warrington Sports Club).

RACING: CARSON AND EDDERY TAKE RIDING HONOURS WITH TREBLE APIECE

Come On Chase Me to complete treble

By Mandarin
(Michael Phillips)

When it is time to review this Flat racing season much will be made of the extremely successful beginning by the first-season sire Sharpo, and rightly so.

While such a fast animal is automatically expected to get fast two-year-olds himself it is not always the case, as any breeder will testify. The fact that Sharpo has done so is a bonus for English breeders, especially since his influential sire, Sharpen Up, is now resident on the Gainesway Farm in the heart of Kentucky.

When he was retired to Lord Derby's Woodland Stud in Newmarket at the end of the 1982 season Sharpo was syndicated for £20,000 a share. Now, following the impact made by his first crop of runners this season, shares are currently trading at four times their flotation value.

Although he ended his racing career in a blaze of glory by winning the Prix de L'Abbaye at Longchamp on Arc Day, and with it the European sprinters' crown, Sharpo basically made his name by winning the William Hill Sprint championship three times in a row at York.

Only Tag End had ever achieved that feat and that was in the late twenties and early thirties when the race was still known as the Nunthorpe Stakes.

Now, in napping **Come On Chase Me** to win the Sha Tin Stakes at York this afternoon I am banking on the Knavesmire again having an electric effect, this time on one of Sharpo's first crop.

While conceding that it is possible to argue that Crofter's Cline, Abuzz and Baltic Shore have all put up slightly better performances this season I am swayed by the fact that Come On Chase Me, is fresher and probably more open to improvement.

For when he was successful at Lingfield midway through last month Jimmy Etherington's colt was having his first race for ten weeks and only his third in all.

Living up to his name, he led his rivals, who were no slow coaches themselves, a merry dance from the start and won by three lengths, virtually unchallenged.

Caught in that sort of form, on ground that he will relish, Come On Chase Me could prove very hard to peg back even for Abuzz, who won nicely at Newbury last time.

In the *Gimcrack* Stakes, Baltic Shore finished one place ahead of Crofters Cline in seventh and eighth positions, respectively. Today Baltic Shore has a 5 lb advantage.

Crofters Cline, on the other hand, will be ridden for the first time by Pat Eddery. With due respect to Julie Bowker, who has done absolutely nothing wrong on the colt so far, Eddery is a champion and Jimmy Wilson is calling on his expertise to advise with the future in mind.

My feeling remains that Eddery's best chance today lies with **North Ocean** in the Kowloon Maiden Stakes. A close third in a handicap at Newmarket last time, North Ocean looks marginally better than Willie Carson's mount, Usfan.

The ground, which is expected to ride on the soft side of good, should enable **Aconitum** to get his head in front at long last in the Dubai Handicap. It was here in July that he got nearest to winning this season when runner-up to Dorset Cottage. Since then he has run well to finish fourth at Goodwood and fifth at Newbury, in what I regard as better races.

John Reid, his jockey, who is enjoying such a good season, is hoping to win the Hong Kong Marlboro Cup as well as on Eastern Song, who along with the recent course winner Manton Dan, has an undeniable chance.

In this instance, though, I just prefer **Padre Pio**, who was clearly taking on something a bit special at Ripon where he was runner-up to Catherine's Well in the Great St Wilfred Handicap.

The blinkered Cree Bay, seen here edging out Gold Prospect and Chummy's Pet at Ascot, is in action at York (5.0)

French triumph

Premiere Cuvee, trained in France by Jonathan Pease, thwarted Tarib's attempt to become the sixth consecutive English-trained winner of the group three Goldene Peitsche (6f) at Baden-Baden yesterday.

Tuck equals Gilbert's 27-year-old record

Phil Tuck yesterday equalled Johnny *Gilbert's* 27-year-old record for the most consecutive jumping victories when Doronicum won the Racing Post Handicap Hurdle at SOUTHWELL. But Easter Brig, an odds-on chance to help Tuck take the record outright, finished a disappointing fifth in the the Goverton Handicap Hurdle.

Doronicum, who had already featured in Tuck's run, over fences, was his tenth win in a row, a sequence started on August 23 at Cartmel. Whereas Gilbert achieved his record over hurdles only, Tuck included three steeplechase victories among his 10. Gilbert compiled his record in a 23-day period but Tuck took only 12 days to equal it.

Both Doronicum and Easter Brig are trained by Gordon Richards, who has provided Tuck with all of his 10 winners. Doronicum tracked Prince Metternich until taking up the running at the seventh flight. He then shook off the challenge of Cider Spy and strode clear to win by five lengths.

Easter Brig and Lucylet were 10 lengths clear of the field at one stage in the final event but Easter Brig weakened from four flights out with the race eventually going to Mister Pitt.

At BATH, Pat Eddery completed a 12-1 treble on Northern Amethyst, Easter Lee and Tabilla to bring his total for the season to 142. And his performance on Northern Amethyst had the most hardened of professionals gasping in admiration.

In the early stages of the Pennsylvania Maiden Stakes, Eddery had only three of his 19 rivals behind him and he was on the outside going the longest way round. He had advanced to about tenth at halfway and by the time he had threaded the favourite through the field, Admirals All was clear and looked impossible to catch.

Even then Eddery sat quiet and suddenly inside the final furlong Northern Amethyst quickened for him to cut down the leader and win on the line by a head.

Delayed Cauthen misses sauna and first-race winner

By Michael Seely

The chaotic nature of Britain's motorway system in the summer highlighted Steve Cauthen's weight problems at York yesterday.

Although the reigning champion arrived at the track at 1.20, in time to take the mount on Lucky Stone in the opening Avondale New Zealand Stakes at 2.0, the jockey's customary visit to the course sauna to shed the necessary poundage was made impossible.

Cauthen's hard luck was John Reid's good fortune and this is the second time it has happened at York this season.

The super sub, who came in for the mount on Triptych in the Matchmaker International at the Ebor meeting when Yves Saint-Martin missed his aircraft from Deauville, rode his 44th winner of the campaign when driving Lucky Stone past the post a length in front of Monterana.

Reid, looking forward to good rides on Double Schwarz in the Vernons Sprint Cup at Haydock on Saturday, and on Park Express in the Phoenix Champion Stakes in Dublin on Sunday, said: "Things are going pretty well. I only hope it lasts."

Explaining the situation, a spokesman for the stewards said: "Cauthen rang the course from his car, and told us that he might not get here in time, and that in any event he would have to put up overweight. As he had made every effort to get here, we allowed a jockey substitution to be made after declaration time. But we told John Spouse, Clive Brittain's assistant, that we would have to fine the trainer a statutory £25." That seems a splendid example of illogicality, to say the least.

Cauthen, who was riding regularly at 8st 6lb earlier in the year, was required to do 8st 8lb on Lucky Stone. "I had to ride work at Newmarket this morning," he said. "And then all the way up the A1 there were cars going 20 miles an hour in the fast lane. So I would have had no time to go in the sweat box to take off the necessary half-a-pound," he concluded cynically.

The jockey's misfortunes continued in the Sun Life of Canada Garrowby Stakes when Willie Carson brought Sultan Mohamed with a well-timed run to beat Cauthen on the front-running Enbarr.

The winner collected a 5lb penalty for the Cambridgeshire, the weights for which were published yesterday. Sultan Mohamed has been alloted 8 st 4 lb. Siwah Kalem and Patriarch, two of John Dunlop's other entries, have been given 10st 1lb and 8st 13lb, respectively.

"We're going to have to think about it before we make any firm plans," said Tony Couch, the Arundel trainer's assistant. Harlestone Lake, Dunlop's recent easy Ostend winner, has been made favourite for the Cesarewich at 16-1 with only 7st 9lb to shoulder.

Ladbroke's have Tremblant, last year's winner, Star Cutter, and Power Bender as their joint favourites for the first leg of the autumn double at 16-1. Luca Cumani, that noted big handicap expert, has Al Bashaami on the 7st 12lb mark. "The colt is a likely runner," said the trainer at his home in Newmarket.

Cumani went on to say that Then Again, his recent winner of the Waterford Crystal Mile, would not now be aimed at Ascot's Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. "The new plan is to go for the Challenge Stakes at Newmarket and then the Breeder's Cup mile

After Cash Asmussen had finished unplaced on Majaahed in the Cambridgeshire trial, the French champion jockey said: "I've had to turn down the rides on Triptych and Marouble in Ireland over the weekend. I shall be at Longchamp on Sunday when I've got six good rides."

The 26-year-old Dakota-born rider then outlined his plans for the rest of the season. "I shall be based in France until after the Japan Cup on November 23. I'll then return to the States for the winter before going to Tipperary to take up my new job with Vincent O'Brien in March."

The riding honours of the afternoon belonged to Willie Carson. The dynamic Scotsman proceeded to show us exactly why he has been champion five times by landing a 90-1 treble on Sultan Mohamed, Great Aspect, and Entrancing.

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ATHLETICS

Moses is out of grand prix final

From Pat Butcher
Athletics Correspondent
Lausanne

Ed Moses's last chance of breaking his 400 metres hurdles world record in Europe this year will be in London tomorrow week. Because, in a move which will shock the organizers and sponsors, Moses has withdrawn from the Mobil Grand Prix Final in Rome next Wednesday.

The ostensible reason for Moses's withdrawal from a meeting, towards which he has avowedly been working all season, is, according to his manager, Gordon Baskin, the cancellation of the 400 metres hurdles at the meeting in Rieti, just outside Rome, three days before the grand prix final in the Italian capital.

The administration for both meetings is the same, and since the grand prix final does not pay appearance money, relying on the final prize-money to attract the athletes, there are advantageous deals done with athletes to appear in what is seen as the warm-up meeting in Rieti.

But Baskin claims that money is not the problem. He admits that Moses has done better financially in his nine races in Europe so far, after a year off through injury, than he has ever done in his 10-year career at the top of the sport. Instead, Baskin hinted yesterday at some sort of "conspiracy" against Moses by European promoters, who have tried in the last two years to combat excessive demands from athletes and managers by forming a cartel with a maximum appearance fee of $15,000 for the likes of Carl Lewis, Said Aouita, Steve Cram, Sebastian Coe, and Moses. "This is alien to our American free-market way of thinking," says Baskin, who admits that he has managed to exceed the maximum wage for Moses by going to meetings outside the grand prix circuit.

Baskin seems to think that the "conspiracy" stems from an incident in Zurich two years ago, when Andreas Brügger, the promoter, cancelled Moses's invitation to run, because, according to Brügger, Moses, and Baskin asked for too much money. What would seem to back the "revenge" thesis is that the promoters of Cologne two weeks ago and Brussels this Friday — two grand prix meetings which Moses needed to attend in order to get sufficient points to have a chance of winning the overall grand prix prize of $25,000 — offered, again according to Baskin, "40 per cent less than two years ago, and even less in Brussels."

But the real reason for the Rieti cancellation is probably much more mundane, if anything to do with Dr Primo Nebiolo, the president of the IAAF, and the Italian federation could ever be mundane. Add to which, Moses's first appearance in Italy for some years would be at a tiny up-country meeting, somewhat upstaging Rome, and there you have the more likely scenario. But this whole affair is redolent of the sort of wheeling and dealing that is afflicting athletics, in its infancy as a professional sport. But, with promotors still having too much power over the fate of athletes, the competitors should make harder efforts to follow up the idea of forming a trade union, which was originally aired at Brussels exactly a year ago. For the IAAF Athletes Commission is not under way yet, and the athletes certainly need more say in how their sport is being run.

The other thing that is frustrating for Moses, apart from the damage to his public image that this non-appearance will cause, is that his 47.38 seconds, which he did here in Lausanne two nights ago, indicates that, "I'm probably in the best form of my life, because I made at least four errors in the race. The way the season has been breaking up for the Commonwealth Games and the European Championships, I just haven't been able to string three or four races together as I would like, which could produce a sub-47 seconds time."

An additional factor in the "conspiracy" theory is that André Phillips and Danny Harris, the two men with any chance of beating Moses, now seem to be avoiding him.

It also seems certain now that Aouita and Cram are not going to meet this season, for Cram is due to run the 1,500 metres in Brussels tomorrow, and Aouita, the 2,000 metres. If it is not a question of money, it is equally unclear why the two are avoiding each other.

Lausanne results

MEN: 100m: 1, B Johnson (Can), 10.19sec; 2, B Marie Rose (Fr), 10.27; 3, C Smith (US), 10.28. 200m: 1, D Williams (Can), 20.80sec; 2, P Barre (Fr), 20.97; 3, G Quenherve (Fr), 21.01. 400m: 1, D Robinson (US), 44.96sec; 2, D Clark (Aus), 45.18; 3, A McKay (US), 45.62. 800m: 1, W Wuycke (Ven), 1:44.75; 2, P Collard (Fr), 1:45.10; 3, J Barbosa (Brz), 1:45.16. 1,000m: 1, E Jones (US), 2:18.84; 2, M Fall (Sen), 2:20.71; 3, F Lahbi (Mor), 2:20.84. Mile: 1, S Aouita (Mor), 3:51.86; 2, J-L Gonzalez (Sp), 3:52.03; 3, J-M Abascal (Sp), 3:52.92. 3,000m: 1, P Deleze (Switz), 7:50.10 2, E Ignatov (Bul), 7:51.47; 3, M Hacksteiner (Switz), 7:51.49. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, J Kariuki (Ken), 8:19.33; 2, H Marsh (US), 8:21.70; 3, S Obwocha (Ken), 8:24.16. 110m hurdles: 1, S Caristan (Fr), 13.39sec; 2, C Sala (Sp), 13.67; 3, A Bryggare (Fin), 13.75. 400m hurdles: 1, E Moses (US), 47.38sec; 2, M Dediemel (Ivory C), 49.03 3, H Amike (Nig), 49.13. Triple jump: 1, C Markov (Bul), 16.70m; 2, J Taiwo (Nig), 16.56; 3, A Abbebakar (Nig), 16.40. Javelin: 1, K Tafelmeier (WG), 83.48m; 2, E Vilhjalmsson (Ice), 79.78; 3, A Linden (WG), 76.54 Long jump: 1, A Chochev (Bul), 7.84m; 2, R Gloor (Switz), 7.82; 3, S Jiskulka (Pol), 7.74. Pole vault: 1, P Collet (Fr), 5.80m; 2, A Tarev (Bul), 5.80; 3, T Vigneron (Fr), 5.75. High jump: 1, J Howard (US), 2.26m; 2, C Thraenhardt (WG), 2.26; 3, G Nagel (WG), 2.26. Shot: 1, W Gunthor (Switz), 21.36m; 2, A Andrei (It), 21.24; 3, J Brenner (US), 20.36.
WOMEN: 100m: 1, E Ashford (US), 11.14sec; 2, A Issajenko (Can), 11.40; 3, Y Janota (Pol), 11.72. 400m: 1, A Quirot (Cuba) 51.11sec; 2, R Stamenova (Bul), 51.70; 3, J Richardson (Can), 52.50. 800m: 1, C Groenendaal (US), 1:59.39; 2, G Bussmann (WG), 1:59.77; 3, N Sterewa (Bul), 1:59.80. 100m hurdles: 1, X Siska (Hun), 12.86sec; 2, B Fitzgerald-Brown (US), 13.05; 3, R Haggi (Switz), 13.30. Long jump: 1, C Lewis (US), 6.70m; 2, S Christova (Bul), 6.62; 3, L Ninova (Bul), 6.55. Discus: 1, H Ramos (Cuba) 53.14m; 2, R Katewicz (Pol), 59.82; 3, P Neer (US), 58.74.

YORK

Going: good to soft
Draw: 5f-6f low numbers best on soft ground

2.45 KOWLOON MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,479: 1m) (10 runners)

101 0-23202 HIGHEST PEAK (B) (W Du Pont III) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0 ... G Duffield 10
102 00-00 MERITMOORE (G Moore) R Armstrong 9-0 ... S Cauthen 7
104 3030 NORTH OCEAN (USA) (S Fradkoff) L Cumani 9-0 ... Pat Eddery 4
105 203402 SURE LANDING (Salisbury Farms Ltd) C Nelson 9-0 ... J Reid 1
106 022 USFAN (USA) (Prince A A Faisal) J Dunlop 9-0 ... W Carson 3
107 00 VITAL FORM (B) (Sheikh Mohammed) O Douieb 9-0 ... W R Swinburn 6
108 0 CONCORDE'S DEMON (USA) (J Duffel) G Huffer 8-11 ... M Miller 5
111 0-00 SCENTED SILENCE (USA) (J Duffel) G Huffer 8-11 ... G Carter (3) 9
112 002 SKEAN (BF) (Mrs J Chandler) G Harwood 8-11 ... NON-RUNNER 8
113 0-33420 STICKY GREENE (USA)(BF) (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 ... B Thomson 2

5-2 Usfan, 3-1 North Ocean, 4-1 Sticky Greene, 6-1 Highest Peak, 8-1 Sure Landing, 12-1 others.

FORM: HIGHEST PEAK (8-6) 1l Ripon 2nd to Hamper (8-6) on Saturday (1m 1f App, £1143, soft, 14 ran). NORTH OCEAN (9-2) 2¾l 3rd to Roman Beach (9-3) at Newmarket (8f, £4006, good, Aug 23, 8 ran). SURE LANDING (9-0) 4l 2nd to No Restraint (8-11) at Yarmouth (1m App'ce, £1315, good to firm, Aug 20, 10 ran). USFAN (8-7) head 2nd to Codices (9-0) at Folkestone (7f, £959, good to firm, Aug 12, 7 ran). CONCORDE'S DEMON (8-11) 5l debut 2nd to Basically Better (8-11) at Bath (8f, £1031, good to soft, Aug 25, 22 ran). SCENTED SILENCE (8-11) 1½l Goodwood 2nd to Daring Doone (8-11) (8f, £2070, good, Aug 22, 9 ran). STICKY GREENE's best effort a Newbury 2l 2nd to Local Silver when in receipt of 3lb (8f, £3854, good to firm, July 18, 12 ran).
Selection: USFAN

3.15 DUBAI HANDICAP (£3,334: 1m 1f) (8)

202 004033 GUNDREDA (BF) (Miss M Carrington-Smith) C Brittain 4-9-7 ... G Moore 2
203 300240 ACONITUM (J Galvanoni) J Bethell 5-9-7 ... J Reid 3
204 031300- KILLARY BAY (R Gomersall) N Tinkler 4-9-6 ... Pat Eddery 7
209 113430 ATOKA (GER) (D) (R Kaselowsky) John FitzGerald 4-9-1 ... R Hills 5
210 1-02000 ROMANTIC UNCLE (P Cockroft) H Wharton 3-9-1 ... J H Brown (5) 4
211 30-0104 EXCLUSIVE NORTH (USA) (B) (Dr C Li) R Armstrong 3-9-0 ... S Cauthen 1
213 0-00340 TRY HARDER (C) (A F Budge Ltd) Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-8-11 ... M Hills 8
216 0-00000 RUSSELL CREEK (K Jaffa) C Booth 4-8-6 ... J Mathias 6

11-4 Exclusive North, 7-2 Gundreda, 5-1 Atoka, 6-1 Try Harder, 8-1 Aconitum, 10-1 Killary Bay, 12-1 Romantic Uncle, 14-1 Russell Creek.

FORM: GUNDREDA (8-12) ¾l 3rd to Solo Style (8-7) at Wolverhampton (1m 1f, good to soft Aug 25). Earlier (9-1) 2½l Newmarket 3rd to Power Bender (8-8) (1m 2f, £3844, good to firm, Aug 9, 5 ran). ACONITUM (8-10) 4¼l 5th to Granny's Bank (8-1) at Newbury (8f, good, Aug 15). Earlier (8-13) neck 2nd to Dorset Cottage (9-10) here (8f, £4979, good to firm, July 12). KILLARY BAY won twice last season and also (7-11) was a 2l 2nd to Iroko (8-12) at Sandown (1m 2f, £8077, firm, July 5, 9 ran). ATOKA (8-0) 9th to My Generation (8-13) here. Previously (8-3) 4l 3rd to Maiman (8-8) at Goodwood with GUNDREDA (8-9) behind (1m 2f, £16466, firm, Aug 2, 11 ran). ROMANTIC UNCLE below best since (8-10) head 2nd to Dogmatic (9-6) at Chester (7f, £3980, soft, May 8, 9 ran). TRY HARDER (8-13) 5¼l 5th to Irish Passage (8-1) at Thirsk (7f, £2939, good to firm, Aug 2, 9 ran).
Selection: GUNDREDA

3.50 EBF SAUDI ARABIA STAKES (2-Y-O C & G: £4,428: 7f) (8)

301 311 HENDEKA (USA)(D) (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-4 ... S Cauthen 8
306 010 PUNTA CALAHONDA (D) (D Faulkner) N Bycroft 9-1 ... D Nicholls 1
308 23 BENGAL FIRE (N Phillips) C Brittain 8-11 ... C Asmussen 2
309 02000 COMMONSIDR GIPSY (L May) O Brennan 8-11 ... J Carroll (7) 4
311 00 HIGHLAND LAIRD (D Hunnisett) D Morley 8-11 ... M Birch 3
313 24 NORDAVANO (USA) (B) (BF) (A Balzarini) M Jarvis 8-11 ... T Ives 7
314 0 OH DANNY BOY (Mrs N Napier) E Weymes 8-11 ... E Guest (3) 6
317 0 TRY HILLS SUPPLIES (Hill's Supplies Ltd) M C Chapman 8-11 ... J Williams 5

10-11 Hendeka, 100-30 Bengal Fire, 9-2 Nordavano, 8-1 Oh Danny Boy, 12-1 Highland Laird, 16-1 others.

FORM: HENDEKA (9-3) pushed out to beat Random Rover (8-11) a neck at Goodwood (7f, £2658, good to firm, Aug 23, 11 ran). PUNTA CALAHONDA (8-11) 6¾l 5th to Lack A Style (8-8) at Newmarket (8f Listed, £9068, good, Aug 23, 6 ran). BENGAL FIRE (9-0) 5l 3rd to New Attitude (9-0) at Newbury (7f, £4491, good to firm, Aug 16, 27 ran). NORDAVANO (8-8) eased once beaten when last of 4 behind Invited Guest (8-11) at Newmarket. Earlier (9-0) neck 2nd to Glory Forever (9-0) on the same course (7f, £4383, good, July 8, 10 ran).
Selection: NORDAVANO

4.25 PEAK HANDICAP (£3,366: 1m 6f) (12)

402 411-400 BACKCHAT (USA)(D) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 4-9-11 ... NON-RUNNER 3
403 220310 DUAL VENTURE (A Soulsby) John Fitzgerald 4-9-9 ... J Reid 12
404 231010 WASSL REEF (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 3-9-7 ... W Carson 4
405 003434 REVISIT (D) (R Green) J Winter 4-9-4 ... W R Swinburn 5
406 0-02000 NAFTILOS (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 4-9-3 ... P Robinson 2
407 134011 WESSEX (Full Circle Thoroughbreds B Ltd) N Tinkler 4-8-13 ... Kim Tinkler 6
408 144133 LIE IN WAIT (W Du Pont III) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-11 ... G Duffield 1
409 0/080-04 LUMINATE (J Rowles) J Leigh 5-8-10 ... — 9
411 040424 TRESIDDER (BF) (Hippodromo Racing) M W Easterby 4-8-8 ... G Carter (3) 7
412 104000 ROSTHERNE (D) (Mrs N Nuttall) K Stone 4-8-8 ... L Charnock 8
414 11-0000 PATH'S SISTER (Miss B Duxbury) C Thornton 5-7-13 ... J Lowe 11
416 200040 LOST OPPORTUNITY (Sheik Mohamed Al Sabah) B Hanbury 3-7-7 ... R Fox 10

4-1 Lie In Wait, 9-2 Dual Venture, 6-1 Wassl Reef, 8-1 Naftilos, Wessex, 10-1 Revisit, 12-1 Luminate, Tresidder, 14-1 others.

FORM: DUAL VENTURE (9-1) beaten 9l into 9th by Primary (8-7) in The Ebor here (1m 6f, £42860, good to firm, Aug 20, 22 ran). WASSL REEF (8-7) 7l 6th of 7 to Leading Star (9-0) at Lingfield (1m 4f, £2519, good to firm, Aug 20). NAFTILOS (8-11) 6¾l 5th to Witchcraft (8-4) here (1m 4f, good to firm, Aug 21) with ROSTHERNE (8-2) 7th. Earlier ROSTHERNE (7-10) beat NAFTILOS (8-6) a short head at Newmarket with BACKCHAT (9-2) 1¾l back 4th having been eased close home (1m 6f, £5390, good to soft, Apr 15, 12 ran). WESSEX (12-0) beat Night Warrior (11-7) 1l in Trainer's race. Previously (9-7) beat Shah's Choice (8-5) 2l at Ayr (1m 5f, £2553, good to soft, Aug 6, 9 ran). LIE IN WAIT (8-4) 2¼l course and distance 3rd to Ostensible (8-13) (£8636, good, Aug 19, 13 ran). PATH'S SISTER well behind at Goodwood; previously (7-7) 5l 5th to Rikki Tavi (7-10) at Ascot (2m 4f, £9646, firm, June 17, 16 ran).
Selection: PATH'S SISTER

5.0 HONG KONG MARLBORO CUP (Handicap: £16,596: 6f) (13)

501 002110 MANIMSTAR (D) (S Brewer) P Makin 6 9-10 ... Pat Eddery 10
503 004104 OUR JOCK (D) (Lord McAlpine) R Smyth 4-9-4 ... W Carson 12
505 3-11004 ELNAWAAGI (USA) (C-D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-9-2 ... A Murray 8
506 2-20101 MANTON DAN (C)(D) (G Tuck) N Vigors 3-9-2 (7ex) ... P Cook 13
507 041100 CREE BAY (D)(BF) (D Oseman) J Spearing 7-8-13 ... B Thomson 11
509 011040 SHARPETTO (USA)(C)(D) (Mahmood Fustok) M Albina 3-8-11 ... A Bond 6
510 20-0131 EASTERN SONG (C)(D) (Mrs W Tulloch) C Nelson 3-8-9 ... J Reid 1
511 1-02002 PADRE PIO (D) (Mrs G Ward) D Arbuthnot 5-8-7 ... W R Swinburn 5
513 003210 SULLY'S CHOICE (USA)(D) (W Chapman) D W Chapman 5-8-3 ... A Proud 7
514 030000 VILTASH (B) (J Marshall) J Etherington 3-8-2 ... M Wood 2
516 010-302 CARELESS WHISPER (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 3-7-8 ... G Dickie 3
517 002300 BON ACCEUIL (J Ross) H Whiting 3-7-7 ... L Riggio (7) 4
518 000309 IDLE TIMES (D) (W Elsey) W Elsey 4-7-7 ... A Culhane (7) 9

9-4 Eastern Song, 7-2 Manton Dan, 4-1 Our Jock, 6-1 Manimstar, 8-1 Cree Bay, 10-1 Padre Pio, 12-1 Elnawaagi, 16-1 Careless Whisper, 20-1 others.

FORM: OUR JOCK (9-5) ¾l 4th to Precious Metal (9-0) at Goodwood with MANIMSTAR (9-11) behind (6f, £12701, good, Aug 23, 17 ran). ELNAWAAGI's best effort came over course and distance in May when (9-7) ½l winner from Pennanch Wells (7-12) (good to soft). MANTON DAN (9-1) beat Respect (9-7) 4l here (5f, £3824, good to firm, Aug 20, 12 ran). SHARPETTO (9-3) 4½l 6th to Jokist (8-2) at Yarmouth (6f, £3080, good, Aug 27, 10 ran). EASTERN SONG (9-11) beat Zulu Knight (9-0) 1l at Brighton (6f, firm, Aug 5). Previously (8-10) 4l 3rd to Acushla (8-7) at Phoenix Park (Group 3, 6f, £IR 13090, good, July 26, 8 ran). PADRE PIO (8-11) 4l 2nd to Catherines Well (8-11) at Ripon, with SULLY'S CHOICE (9-1) 7½l away 6th and IDLE TIMES (7-8) 7th of 10 (6f, £7878, good, Aug 16). SULLY'S CHOICE (7-12) previously beat Laurie Lorman (8-6) ½l at Haydock (5f, £7843, good, Aug 9, 9 ran). CARELESS WHISPER (7-12) ½l course and distance 2nd to Green Ruby (9-4), with CREE BAY (9-3) 8th of 15 (£5431, good, Aug 19).
Selection: EASTERN SONG

5.30 SHA TIN STAKES (2-Y-O: £6,128: 5f) (5)

601 011110 CROFTER'S CLINE (D) (D Baresford) J Wilson 9-2 ... Pat Eddery 1
602 111047 ABUZZ (D) (Mrs C Brittain) C Brittain 8-13 ... M Roberts 5
604 0210 BALTIC SHORE (USA)(D) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11 ... W R Swinburn 2
605 311 COME ON CHASE ME (D) (D Norvelle) J Etherington 8-11 ... M Wood 3
609 022420 STELBY (V Sassa) O Brennan 8-7 ... J Carroll 4

5-4 Crofter's Cline, 5-2 Abuzz, 9-2 Baltic Shore, 6-1 Come On Chase Me, 12-1 Stelby.

FORM: ABUZZ (8-8) beat Regency Fille (8-8) ½l at Newbury (5f Listed, £8897, good to firm, Aug 16, 8 ran). BALTIC SHORE (9-0) and CROFTER'S CLINE (9-0) 7th and 8th behind Wiganthorpe (9-0) in The Gimcrack here. Previously BALTIC SHORE (9-0) beat Miss Milveagh (8-11) 4l at Windsor (5f mdn, £990, good, July 28, 10 ran). CROFTER'S CLINE (8-12) earlier held on by 1½l from Bag O Rhythm (9-7) at Newmarket (6f, £10098, good, Aug 2, 13 ran). COME ON CHASE ME (9-2) beat dead-heaters Copper Red (9-2) and Mandub (9-7) 3l at Lingfield (5f, £2034, good, Aug 16, 6 ran). STELBY well beaten last time: earlier (7-13) head 2nd to Get On Geraghty (8-5) at Newcastle (6f auction, £1427, good, Aug 11, 8 ran).
Selection: ABUZZ

York selections

By Mandarin
2.45 North Ocean. 3.15 Aconitum. 3.50 Hendeka. 4.25 Lie In Wait. 5.0 Padre Pio. 5.30 COME ON CHASE ME (nap).

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.45 North Ocean. 3.15 Atoka. 3.50 Hendeka. 4.25 Revisit. 5.0 Elnawaagi. 5.30 Baltic Shore.

By Michael Seely
2.45 North Ocean. 4.25 Naftilos. 5.0 MANTON DAN (nap).

WORCESTER

Going: Firm

2.30 HARTLEBURY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£677: 2m) (13 runners)

1 10P- CRAVEN BOY (D) R Price 5-11-10 ... B Dowling (7)
4 0P0- RAMDAM Mrs A Hewitt 4-10-12 ... M Williams
5 1-01 SEASONED EMBER (B) J Bradley 5-10-12 (7ex) ... D Tegg (7)
6 1-P3 SUNNY REEF (D) J Cosgrave 6-10-11 ... T Pinfield (7)
8 0-03 CALIPH J Glover 5-10-9 ... S Harris (7)
9 002- THE RUSK F Jordan 5-10-8 ... C Smith
10 -030 HADDAK (USA) B Palling 5-10-6 ... C Evans (7)
11 /0-0 NIGHT TRAIN (D) W Clay 5-10-6 ... Diane Clay (7)
14 4-P0 WATTS MUSIC (B) J Ffitch-Heyes 6-10-4 ... R Goldstein
15 3-PP COMEDY PRINCESS M Tate 4-10-3 ... P Scudamore
19 0-00 MODERN MAN (B) J Bradley 6-10-3 ... G Davies
20 00-4 PORTO IRENE D Tucker 6-10-3 ... —
21 -033 DR CORNELIUS (B) G Ham 5-10-3 ... S Mackey (7)

2-1 Seasoned Ember, 4-1 Sunny Reef, 5-1 Caliph, 6-1 Haddak, 10-1 The Rusk, 12-1 Ramdam, 16-1 others.

3.0 REDDITCH CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£1,629: 2m) (8)

5 20-3 DEEP RIDGE (C-D) R Hodges 8-11-8 ... W Irvine
7 0-F3 FREDDIE BEE (B) R O'Sullivan 9-11-0 ... R Guest
8 -0P0 STRETCH OUT A Moore 8-10-7 ... G Landau
9 0-00 SLIEVE BRACKEN (D) W Clay 10-10-5 ... Diane Clay
10 U0-0 BROSTAIGH (D) Mrs S Davenport 11-10-4 ... J Hurst
11 3-8U BLACK EARL I Wardle 9-10-0 ... K Townsend
12 F0-2 NERO WOLF R Juckes 9-10-0 ... Judy Blakeney
13 0-03 POSTDYNE (D) W Mann 11-10-0 ... —

2-1 Deep Ridge, 5-2 Freddie Bee, 6-1 Brostaigh, 8-1 Nero Wolf, 12-1 Postdyne, 16-1 others.

3.30 PRAILL GROUP HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,794: 3m) (14)

1 /00- ALFIE DICKINS R Hollinshead 8-11-10 ... P Dever
2 -211 TARQOGAN'S BEST R Peacock 6-11-3 (7ex) ... P Scudamore
3 12-1 DISCAIN BOY C Tinkler 6-11-0 ... M Dwyer
5 -012 SEXTON ASH (B) (BF) R O'Sullivan 4-10-8 (7ex) ... E Murphy
6 00-3 DROPSHOT (B) G Balding 11-10-6 ... R Guest (7)
8 3P-3 WASSEM (USA) (C) J Jenkins 5-10-4 ... J White
9 104- DEW R Holder 5-10-2 ... N Coleman
10 P-00 BE MY LUCK R Hodges 5-10-1 ... Mr P MacEwan (7)
12 -000 BORDER GEM C Luxton 13-10-0 ... R Millman
14 34-2 AVERAGE L Kennard 5-10-0 ... B Powell
15 4UP- AIR SPACE R Hodges 7-10-0 ... —
18 -340 LOG CABIN W Clay 5-10-0 ... Diane Clay (7)
19 -000 EL CITO N Mitchell 8-10-0 ... Mr T Mitchell (7)
20 00-P EASTER ROSE M Tate 7-10-0 ... C Smith

6-4 Tarqogan's Best, 3-1 Discain Boy, 9-2 Sexton Ash, 13-2 Wassem, 8-1 Dropshot, 12-1 others.

4.0 DROITWICH HANDICAP CHASE (£2,435: 3m) (18)

5 -UF1 TEALBY LAD (C) S Mellor 11-11-10 (7ex) ... G Charles Jones
7 U-U2 THOMASCOURT P Hobbs 8-11-7 ... Peter Hobbs
8 P00- HELLO KILLINEY J Jenkins 9-11-6 ... J White
9 0-00 COTTAGE RHYTHM (C-D) Earl Jones 10-11-6 ... J D Doyle (4)
10 22-0 LEAN ORT D Williams 8-11-5 ... R Crank
11 4-2B FOOT STICK G Balding 0-11-3 ... S Sherwood
14 0-22 MAJOR TOM (D)(BF) W Wightman 9-11-1 ... M Harrington
17 01-1 QUEENSWAY BOY (D) Miss A King 7-11-0 (7ex) ... A Webb
21 P0-0 JIMMY MIFF (C-D) I Wardle 14-10-10 ... S J O'Neill
22 030- ANOTHER PLATER (D) P Bailey 11-10-9 ... S Morshead
23 UP0- MANSTON MARAUDER P Hedger 10-10-8 ... Mr T Mitchell (7)
24 P-0U QUITE HOT (B) N Ayliffe 7-10-8 ... L Bloomfield (4)
26 P0-2 RIDAN TOWER H Harper 11-10-4 ... J Duggan
27 00-4 GAIN THE DAY (B) R Blakeney 9-10-3 ... Judy Blakeney (7)
28 3/ SABEM KYBO B Smart 10-10-3 ... B Powell
29 3-0F BALLYEAMON P Jones 12-10-2 ... G Landau
31 00-4 AYRESOME Miss S Brown 11-10-0 ... Mrs C Tellwright
33 0P0- CRAWFORD CROSS T Tory 12-10-0 ... R Dunwoody

7-2 Tealby Lad, 9-2 Foot Stick, 5-1 Major Tom, 6-1 Another Plater, 8-1 Thomascourt, 10-1 Queensway Boy, 12-1 others.

4.30 WYCHAVON NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-O: £685: 2m) (16)

3 1 SILCA CHIAVI D Elsworth 11-5 ... C Brown
4 1 ANGEL DRUMMER (C-D) A Ingham 11-0 ... Steve Knight
9 3 GAY CARUSO F Jordan 11-0 ... C Smith
10 3 HENRY PADWICK H Dale 11-0 ... C Cox (4)
11 ITMA F Walwyn 11-0 ... I Shoemark (7)
12 0 LITTLECOTE LAD T Forster 11-0 ... H Davies
13 23 LONDON CONTACT M Pipe 11-0 ... P Leach
14 00 MONTBERGIS (FR) R Juckes 11-0 ... T Wall
15 RED RIVER BOY R Hodges 11-0 ... B Powell
16 4 VANTASTIC Mrs J Pitman 11-0 ... M Pitman
18 CAELESTIS G Balding 10-9 ... A Charlton (7)
20 CUPIDS BOWER A James 10-9 ... G Jones
23 P IVY MAY J M Bradley 10-9 ... G Davies
24 KELLY LINDO J Cosgrave 10-9 ... T Pinfield (7)
25 MOSSAUL G Thorner 10-9 ... P Barton
26 32 SWEET SNUGFIT R Woodhouse 10-9 ... P Tuck

11-4 Angel Drummer, 7-2 Silca Chiavi, 5-1 London Contact, Sweet Snugfit, 8-1 Vantastic, 10-1 Littlecote Lad, 12-1 others.

5.0 ALCESTER NOVICE CHASE (£1,395: 2m 4f) (17)

1 4F-1 LANCE PRIVATE R Pocock 8-12-0 ... Peter Hobbs
2 03-1 ST COLME G Richards 6-12-0 ... P Tuck
3 0/0F ALUMNUS T Tory 8-11-7 ... R Dunwoody
4 -0F0 BEN'S WAY (B) K Bridgwater 7-11-7 ... W Worthington
5 PP0/ CLEAR MAGIC A Moore 6-11-7 ... G Moore
7 -0P4 FLUTTERVILLE (B) R Peacock 7-11-7 ... P O'Donnell (4)
9 40-3 HY TAB Earl Jones 9-11-7 ... J D Doyle (4)
11 6-F3 LORD LAURENCE (BF) D Gandolfo 7-11-7 ... S Smith Eccles
14 00F- OAKLEY HOUSE (B) F Walwyn 7-11-7 ... S Shilston
15 0/F0- REGAL EXPRESS T Greathead 6-11-7 ... Mr L Lay (7)
16 001- RODNERS W G Turner 6-11-7 ... C Warren (4)
17 F3-0 SAWYER'S SON Mrs P Rigby 7-11-7 ... D Hood (7)
18 33F- TAF R Howells 9-11-7 ... Mrs L Sheedy
20 1/00 BEAU NAVET W G Turner 5-11-4 ... R Barry
21 0FP- DUVESSA P Hobbs 7-11-2 ... H Davies
22 000- GO PENTA N Ayliffe 6-11-2 ... L Bloomfield (4)
23 4/0 TINKER'S QUEST (B) P Hobbs 10-11-2 ... G McCourt

6-4 St Colme, 5-2 Lance Private, 4-1 Lord Lawrence, 6-1 Hy Tab, 12-1 Taf, 14-1 Oakley House, 16-1 others.

5.30 GRUNWICK STAKES (NH flat: £760: 2m) (26)

2 EROSTIN RULER W Casey 5-11-7 ... E Buckley (7)
4 MEMBERS' REVENGE D Nicholson 5-11-7 ... Mr R Bevan (7)
5 MR CALDER H Harper 5-11-7 ... Mr R Harper
6 3- RAIN CHASER (NZ) P Davis 5-11-7 ... G Landau (7)
7 3 ROSIE'S MEMBER R Woodhouse 5-11-7 ... Mr A Bronson (7)
8 STONEHALL SECRET M James 5-11-7 ... Sharron James (7)
9 WARNER'S END J Webber 5-11-7 ... Miss J Henry (7)
10 ALLGOLD MEMBER L Kennard 4-11-5 ... D Meadow (7)
12 BIBSKELLY R Hollinshead 4-11-5 ... —
13 BONNA COLINO P Davis 4-11-5 ... Mr M Wellings
14 BRAVE ANDREW Mrs J Evans 4-11-5 ... Miss L Wallace (7)
15 DEEP MOMENT Mrs M Rimell 4-11-5 ... Mr M Price (7)
17 ITS A LAUGH M Pipe 4-11-5 ... J Lower (7)
18 LYNS MAGIC G M Price 4-11-5 ... B Dowling (7)
20 PALMISTRY P Felgate 4-11-5 ... M Collett (7)
21 REGALROY J Colston 4-11-5 ... —
22 RICH NICKEL Mrs M Rimell 4-11-5 ... M Muggeridge (7)
23 BANK HOUSE LODGE K White 6-11-2 ... M Hood (7)
24 STANFORDS STAR T Tory 5-11-2 ... Mr M Felton
25 BALLYBOYNE B Smart 4-11-0 ... C Llewellyn (7)
26 P- MYSTICAL ROSE F Jordan 4-11-0 ... C Warren (7)
27 SEA FLOWER (NZ) D Barons 4-11-0 ... Miss T Davis (7)
28 SEALED MEMORIES A Moore 4-11-0 ... Miss C Moore (7)
29 SECRET KEEL D Nicholson 4-11-0 ... W Humphreys (7)
30 0- ST ANLO B Wells 4-11-0 ... Miss S Yardley (7)
31 STAR ASTRONOMER R Griffiths 4-11-0 ... Mr S Griffiths (7)

3-1 Its A Laugh, 4-1 Deep Moment, 6-1 Rosie's Member, 8-1 Rain Chaser, 10-1 Secret Keel, 12-1 Rich Nickel, 14-1 others.

Worcester selections

By Mandarin
2.30 Kaliph. 3.0 Deep Ridge. 3.30 Tarqogan's Best. 4.0 Tealby Lad. 4.30 Silca Chiavi. 5.0 St Colme. 5.30 Rose's Member.

York results

Going: good to soft

2.0 (6f) 1. LUCKY STONE (J Reid, 7-1); 2. Monterana (P Robinson, 3-1 jt-fav); 3. Mischievous Miss (M Birch, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 3 jt-fav Hooray Lady (4th), 4 Scimitarra (5th), 13-2 Lucky Pick, 14 Smart Salute (6th), 33 Illustrate, Lullaby Baby, Petroc Concert, Talland Bay. 11 ran. 1l, 2l, nk, nk, ¾l. C Brittain at Newmarket. Tote: £4.90; £1.10, £1.70, £3.40. DF: £7.10. CSF: £26.94. 1min 19.07sec.

2.30 (7f) 1. TRAVEL MAGIC (M Hills, 6-1); 2. Air Command (Julie Bowker, 11-1); 3. Baton Boy (J Lowe, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Signore Odone (6th), 7 Transflash, 15-2 Major Jacko, 10 Postorage (4th), The Mazall, 14 Emerald Eagle (5th), 16 Hay Street, 25 Sheliman, 50 Improvise. 12 ran. ½l, ¾l, 1l, 2l, 2½l. B Hanbury at Newmarket. Tote: £5.60; £1.90, £2.60, £2.00. DF: £25.50. CSF: £63.09. Tricast: £403.32. 1min 28.52sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

3.0 (1m 2f 110yd) 1. SULTAN MOHAMED (W Carson, 100-30 fav); 2. Enbarr (S Cauthen, 7-2); 3. Night Out Perhaps (P Robinson, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Mojaahed, 7 Old Domesday Book (5th), 9 Shibil, 10 Landski (4th), 14 Andartis (6th). 8 ran. ¾l, 2l, 2½l, ¾l, ¾l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £3.70; £1.80, £1.40, £1.40. DF: £4.90. CSF: £15.15. 2min 16.68sec.

3.35 (1m) 1. GREAT ASPECT (W Carson, 2-1 fav); 2. Elegant Isle (S Cauthen, 3-1); 3. Someone Else (C Asmussen, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Ben Ledi (4th), 9 Alpenhorn (5th), 10 Fountain's Choice, 14 Connaught Flyer, 25 Eurocon (6th). 8 ran. sh hd, 2½l, 2l, 1l, 4l. W Hern at West Ilsley. Tote: £2.40; £1.10, £1.40, £1.10. DF: £3.60. CSF: £8.06. 1min 43.90sec.

4.10 (7f) 1. ENTRANCING (W Carson, 6-1); 2. Stately Lass (S Cauthen, 6-1); 3. Flattery (P Robinson, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Holbrooke Sutton (5th), 5 Que Sympatica (4th), 13-2 Zalata, 10 Migiyas, 14 Uruguay, 50 Sweepy (6th). 9 ran. sh hd, nk, 1½l, 8l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £5.50; £1.40, £1.70, £2.10. DF: £13.40. CSF: £39.81. 1min 28.77sec.

4.40 (1m 4f) 1. CALL TO HONOR (W R Swinburn, 4-1); 2. Castle Rock (W Carson, 15-8); 3. Ambassador (T Ives, 13-8 fav). ALSO RAN: 10 Seazym (5th), 20 Snow Wizzard (4th), 25 Molly Partridge (6th), 50 Nomad Boxer. 7 ran. 3l, 2l, 6l, 3l, 15l. O Douieb at Newmarket. Tote: £4.60; £2.00, £1.60. DF: £7.40. CSF: £11.30. 2min 39.84sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

Jackpot: £20,142.65; Placepot: £38.15

Bath

Going: good

2.0 (1m 8yd) 1. SAUGHTREES (Paul Eddery, 14-1); 2. Count Almaviva (R Cochrane, 16-1); 3. Sparkford Lad (Debbie Wheatley, 9-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 9-2 jt-fav Sweet Gemma (5th), 5 St James Risk, 6 Up Town Boy (4th), 13-2 Tas Toi, 9 Song An Dance Man, 14 Dawn Mirage, Saxon Bazaar, Trojan God, 20 Boodle Jack, Miss Venezuela (6th), 33 Bang Bang, Chief Runner. 15 ran. NR: Mr McGregor. ¾l, 2l, nk, 2l, 1½l. P Walwyn at Lambourn. Tote: £17.00; £3.50, £3.80, £2.70. DF: £110.10. CSF: £216.11. Bought in for 2,100 guineas.

2.30 (1m 3f 150yd) 1. NORTHERN AMETHYST (Pat Eddery, Evens fav); 2. Admirals All (G Duffield, 20-1); 3. Tenquin (R Cochrane, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Noble Rise, 13-2 Minhah, 9 Noble Fille, 16 Township, 20 Diwaan, Make Peace (6th), Pyjama Party (5th), Shareef (4th), 33 Bully Boy, Jimbalou, Aspata, Boxers Shukee, Halgate Lady, Home Fleet, Miss Bluebell, Moma, Solent Breeze. 20 ran. Hd, 8l, 7l, 3l, 1l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £2.30; £1.30, £4.10, £7.70. DF: £21.10. CSF: £23.30.

3.0 (1m 8yd) 1. PRINCE MERANDI (C Rutter, 25-1); 2. Windsor Knot (Paul Eddery, 6-1); 3. Meet The Greek (P Cook, 11-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Below Zero (4th), 13-2 Manchesterskytrain (6th), 9 Rockmaran (5th), 12 Bold Pillager, 16 Bundaburg, Concert Pitch, Portogon, 20 Joyful Dancer, 25 Ashley Rocket, 33 Westerham. 13 ran. Nk, 1½l, sh hd, 2l, ¾l. M E Francis at Lambourn. Tote: £36.90; £8.40, £2.60, £1.60. DF: £250.50. CSF: £162.28. Tricast: £509.61.

3.30 (1m 5f 12yd) 1. EASTER LEE (Pat Eddery, 7-2 fav); 2. Harbour Bazaar (S Whitworth, 8-1); 3. Up To Uncle (A McGlone, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 4 Ibhad, 5 Shrister Taxsaver (6th), 9 Indian Orator (4th), 14 Golden Croft, 16 Appreciative, Gwyn Howard (5th), 20 Faraway Lad, Solomon Lad, 25 Il Pontevecchio, Liberate, 33 Catch The Thatch, Baydon Queen. 15 ran. 2½l, ¾l, 1l, ½l, 2l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £3.70; £1.80, £3.90, £1.50. DF: £16.10. CSF: £34.30. Tricast: £125.91.

4.0 (5f 167yd) 1. TAHILLA (Pat Eddery, 4-9 fav); 2. Chorizo (R Cochrane, 14-1); 3. Greenhill Jazz Time (S Whitworth, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Naparima, 20 Lady's Mantle, Luck Be A Lady (5th), May Belfort (6th), 25 Woodberry, 33 Bit O'May (4th), 50 Bleu Celeste, Dear Glenda, Flapper Girl, Framley Queen, Lundy Isle, Martian Melody, Percy. 16 ran. 2½l, 2½l, 3l, 7l, nk. J Tree at Beckhampton. Tote: £1.40; £1.20, £2.80, £1.70. DF: £6.30. CSF: £8.89.

4.30 (5f 167yd) 1. ATTEMPTING (B Thomson, 9-2); 2. Little Bolder (M Roberts, 7-2); 3. Just Kala (Paul Eddery, 7-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 6 Shedlon Mills (4th), 14 Susan Henchard, 16 Millennia (6th), 20 Hidden Asset, 25 Ritz's Pearl, 33 Glasnig Girl (5th), Mascalls Dream, 50 Boroltown, Far Moon, Hail A Cab, Lady Westown, Mane Baby. 15 ran. Nk, 4l, 3l, nk, ¾l. B Hills at Lambourn. Tote: win £5.10; £1.30, £1.70, £1.30. DF: £7.00. CSF: £20.19.

5.0 (5f 167yd) 1. CRY FOR THE CLOWN (R Cochrane, 4-5 fav); 2. Centauri (B Thomson, 6-1); 3. Saunders Lass (S Dawson, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Lucratif (4th), 8 Jovick, 16 Teacher's Game, 20 Glory Bee, Spanish Sky (6th), 25 Castle Correl, Pensurchin, 33 Basic Bliss (5th), Onole Dancer. 12 ran. ¾l, 4l, sh hd, ¾l, 1l. A Bailey at Newmarket. Tote: £2.20; £1.50, £2.00, £3.40. DF: £5.70. CSF: £6.80. Tricast: £85.70. Placepot: £4.30.

Southwell

Going: good

2.15 (2m hdle) 1. Snake River (C Smith, 7-2); 2. Black River (5-1); 3. Changed Person (25-1). Mind The Time 3-1 fav. 16 ran. 3l, 15l. F Jordan. Tote: £7.30; £2.30, £1.70, £9.90. DF: £3.60. CSF: £25.33.

2.45 (2m hdle) 1. Strawberry Split (S Johnson, 20-1); 2. Hop Picker (14-1); 3. Star Of Tara (13-2). Galaxy Princess, Raceform Rhapsody 5-2 jt-favs. 14 ran. 1l, 10l. P Felgate. Tote: £44.70; £9.50, £4.80, £2.80. DF (winner or second with any other horse): £9.80. CSF: £297.82.

3.15 (3m 110yd ch) 1. Sam Da Vinci (D Dutton, 7-1); 2. Spratts Hill (7-2); 3. Meneessa (8-1). Parcelstown 11-4 fav. 15 ran. NR: Ground Master. 2l, ¾l. J Blundell. Tote: £5.60; £2.20, £2.30, £2.10. DF: £19.50. CSF: £36.00. Tricast: £198.33.

3.45 (2m 4f hdle) 1. Doronicum (P Tuck, Evens fav); 2. Cider Spy (10-1); 3. Double Discount (8-1). 13 ran. 5l, 3l. G Richards. Tote: £2.40; £1.40, £2.30, £2.50. DF: £10.70. CSF: £16.09. Tricast: £71.06.

4.15 (2m 74yd ch) 1. Price Of Peace (S Earle, 8-13 fav); 2. Answer To Prayer (8-1); 3. Cheeky Run (33-1). 6 ran. 4l, 25l. C J Bell. Tote: £1.70; £1.30, £3.40. DF: £7.60. CSF: £6.80.

4.45 (3m hdle) 1. Mister Pitt (N Fearn, 14-1); 2. Lucylet (7-2); 3. Pass Ashore (12-1). Easter Brig 10-11 fav. 13 ran. 1½l, 12l. T Bill. Tote: £13.80; £4.50, £1.90, £2.20. DF: £43.10. CSF: £63.86. Tricast: £571.91.

Placepot: £230.75.

Weights for the Autumn double

CAMBRIDGESHIRE HANDICAP: (1m 110y) Siyah Kalem 4yr 10st 1lb, Then Again 3 9 12, Presidium 4 9 11, Lucky Ring 4 9 6, Tremblant 5 9 3, Kufuma 4 9 3, Slaney 4 9 1, Dusty Dollar 3 9 1, K-Battery 5 9 1, Advance 5 9 0, Samarid 3 9 0, Mtoto 3 9 0, Nino Bibbia 3 9 0, Dallas 3 8 13, Patriach 4 8 13, Star Cutter 3 8 13, *Eve's Error* 3 8 12, Diggers Rest 3 8 11, Chinoiserie 3 8 11, Cromwell Park 3 8 10, Verdant Boy 3 8 10, My Generation 3 8 10, Bold And Beautiful 4 8 9, Vianora 3 8 8, Santella Mac 3 8 8, Freedoms Choice 4 8 8, Inisky 3 8 8.

King's Head 4 8 8, Plaid 3 8 7, Resourceful Falcon 3 8 7, Chartino 3 8 7, Navarzato 3 8 7, Prince Pecadillo 3 8 7, Dolka 3 8 6, Oriental Soldier 3 8 5, Lavender Mist 3 8 5, Effigy 4 8 5, Sultan Mohamed 3 8 4, Truly Rare 4 8 4, Kalkour 4 8 4, Chalk Stream 3 8 4, Vainglorious 3 8 4, Aventino 3 8 4, Night Out Perhaps 3 8 4, Sit This One Out 3 8 4, Tender Loving Care 3 8 3, Royal Halo 5 8 3, Pasticcio 3 8 3, Kabiyle 3 8 2, Vague Shot 3 8 2, Stately Lass 3 8 1, Brazzaka 3 8 0, Promised Isle 5 8 0, Go Banana's 5 7 13, Rana Pratap 6 7 13, Heber 3 7 13.

Quiet Riot 4 7 13, Georgia River 3 7 12, Sherzad 3 7 12, Waajib 3 7 12, Star Of A Gunner 6 7 12, Al Bashaama 3 7 12, Come On The Blues 7 7 11, Swift Trooper 3 7 11, Pinstripe 3 7 11, Aswan 6 7 11, Qualitair Flyer 4 7 11, De Rigueur 4 7 10, Meet The Greek 3 7 10, Mytens 3 7 10, London Bus 3 7 10, Bold Pillager 4 7 10, Flashdance 3 7 9, Bank Parade 5 7 9, Coincidental 4 7 9, Turlah 3 7 9, Kedron 3 7 9, Tosara 4 7 9, Andartis 3 7 9, Well Rigged 5 7 8, Super Trip 5 7 8, Liam 3 7 8, Dancing Eagle 3 7 8, Paris-Turf 3 7 7, Open Hero 3 7 7, Windsor Knot 4 7 7, Aconitum 5 7 6, Power Bender 4 7 5, Indian Hal 4 7 5, Grumble 4 7 5, Sams Wood 5 7 5, Framlington Court 3 7 5, Chief Pal 3 7 5, Ben Adhem 4 7 4, Ali Fair 5 7 4, Transflash 7 7 4, Numismatist 7 7 4, Gorgeous Algernon 3 7 4, Granny's Bank 4 7 3, Pato 4 7 3, Windpipe 8 7 3, Far Country 4 7 3, Merle 4 7 3, Signore Odone 4 7 2, *Pictograph* 4 7 2, Solo Style 3 7 2, Manchesterskytrain 7 7 2, Master Line 5 7 1, *Flyhome* 5 7 0, Stanford Vale 3 7 0.

Running Flush 4 7 0, Roman Beach 6 7 0, Fusilier 4 7 0, Single 4 6 13, Xhal 4 6 13, Connaught 5 6 13, Top Wing 3 6 13, Ready Wit 5 6 13, Captain's Niece 3 6 13, Alqirm 4 6 13, Something Casual 3 6 13, Atoka 4 6 12, Young Jason 3 6 11, Forward Rally 4 6 11, Rescue Package 3 6 11, Moores Metal 6 6 11, Kick The Habit 3 6 11, Gulnean Boy 4 6 11, Try Harder 3 6 11, Canadian Star 3 6 10, Super Punk 3 6 10, Pentland Hawk 3 6 10, Terminator 3 6 10, Helietta 3 6 10, My Ton Ton 3 6 9, Top Debutante 3 6 9, Dunloring 3 6 9, Avec Coeur 4 6 9, Mr Jay-Zee 4 6 8, Formatune 4 6 5, Forlife 3 6 5, Al Diwan 3 6 4, Golden Ancona 3 6 4, Sheliman 4 6 3, Paris Trader 4 6 3, Warplane 6 6 2, Arctic Ken 3 6 0, Lord It Over 3 6 0, Lady La Paz 3 5 11, Pearl Fisher 3 5 11, Silleps 4 5 7. (To be run at Newmarket, October 4).

CESAREWITCH HANDICAP: (2m 1f) Ore 8yr 10st, Tale Quale 4 9 10, Patrizzio 5 9 10, Majestician 3 9 9, Brightner 5 9 9, White Clover 3 9 8, Primary 3 9 8, Rosedale 3 9 7, Merano 3 9 7, Western Dancer 5 9 7, Soldier Ant 6 9 5, Sarfraz 3 9 5, Knights Legend 3 9 4, Kudz 3 9 3, Newsells Park 5 9 2, Comme L'Etoile 3 9 2, Island Set 4 9 2, Ostensible 3 9 1, Sneak Preview 6 9 1, The Prudent Prince 4 9 1, High Cannon 6 9 0, Sale River 4 8 13, Janiski 3 8 13, Russian Noble 5 8 12, Jamesmead 5 8 12, Dual Venture 4 8 12, Pactolus 3 8 11, Ayres Rock 5 8 10, Otabari 4 8 8, Blockade 3 8 8.

Special Vintage 6 8 8, Holy Spark 6 8 7, Lady's Bridge 4 8 6, Withy Bank 4 8 5, Gap Del Mond 3 8 4, Revisit 4 8 4, Seamere 4 8 4, Rikki Tavi 5 8 4, General Concorde 6 8 3, Twice Bold 3 8 3, Accuracy 5 8 3, Bloodless Coup 4 8 2, Lie In Wait 3 8 2, El *Conquistador* 3 8 1, Meadowbrook 5 8 1, Bannerol 3 8 1, Actinium 3 8 1, *Floyd* 6 8 1, Peggy Carolyn 4 8 0, Joli's Girl 4 8 0, Milton Burn 5 7 13, *Nicola Wynn* 3 7 13, Shipbourne 3 7 13, Commander Robert 4 7 12, Newquay 3 7 12, Spartan Valley 3 7 12, Contester 6 7 12, Fleeting Knight 6 7 12, Whiss Reef 3 7 12, Coillin Sound 3 7 12.

High Morale 5 7 12, Fedra 3 7 11, Cima 6 7 11, Agathist 3 7 11, White Mill 4 7 10, Harlestone Lake 4 7 9, Lobkowiez 7 7 9, Lisaas 4 7 9, Auchinlea 4 7 9, Run High 3 7 9, Ightham 3 7 8, Allatom 3 7 8, Dunston 3 7 8, Miarula 4 7 8, Owen's Pride 4 7 7, Colonel James 4 7 7, Copse And Robbers 4 7 7, Rostherne 4 7 7, Chalice Of Silver 3 7 7, Intender 5 7 6, Aldo King 5 7 6, Tedads 4 7 5, Marlion 5 7 4, Orange Hill 4 7 3, Janus 8 7 3, Chuckdestone 3 7 3, In Dreams 3 7 3, Philipdale 6 7 3, Fishpond 5 7 3, Path's Sister 5 7 2, Tom Sharp 6 7 2, Jurisprudence 3 7 2, Seatym 3 7 2, Arrow Beak 5 7 1, Ibn Majed 4 7 1, Action Time 5 7 0, Beat The Retreat 5 7 0, Morgans Choice 9 7 0, Write The Music 5 7 0.

Popsi's Joy 11 6 13, Reform Princess 3 6 13, Seven Hills 3 6 13, Joist 4 6 13, Tasilmoocal 4 6 12, The Mississippian 5 6 11, Easter Lee 6 6 10, Curigo 3 6 10, Sweet Alexandra 3 6 6, Alacazam 4 6 4, Nibmle Nabe 3 6 4, Turi 7 5 13, Harbour Bazaar 8 5 13, Beaker 6 5 13, Taras Chariot 5 5 10, Cavalier Servente 8 5 10, Narcissus 10 5 10, Jipijapa 5 5 3. (To be run at Newmarket, October 18).

Blinkered first time

YORK: 2.45 Highest Peak. 3.15 Exclusive North. 3.50 Nordavano.

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CRICKET

Poor batting by Notts makes task of Essex all the easier

By Richard Streeton

CARDIFF: Glamorgan, with five second-innings in hand, are 77 runs ahead of Nottinghamshire.

When Nottinghamshire won the toss and were bowled out for 121 before lunch yesterday, their remote mathematical chance to snatch the county championship from Essex receded further into the realms of fantasy. Glamorgan, the bottom team in the table, also struggled on a pitch which regularly encouraged the bowlers.

Glamorgan were 78 for five before Ontong and Thomas took them into a significant lead with a chanceless sixth-wicket stand. By the close they had added 120 in 45 overs with some fine stroke-play.

Nottinghamshire's failure to secure any batting bonus points means that Essex will need only three points from their last two matches to win the title, even if Nottinghamshire win this game and take maximum points from their own last two matches. (Should the teams finish level on points, Essex would be champions by virtue of having more wins.)

Nottinghamshire's morning collapse was not attributable to the pitch alone. This wicket was first used for Kent's visit last week, when only one day's play was possible. It was shorn of grass at both ends and there was always slow turn for the spinners. Once the sun emerged at lunchtime, the fast bowlers also got the odd ball to lift.

Overall Glamorgan probably had more cause to feel aggrieved about the conditions than Nottinghamshire, for whom only Robinson showed a fitting approach. Robinson, the ninth man out, was undone by a lifting ball and drove to first slip, after a sensible and watchful innings.

More than one among the others attempted unnecessarily adventurous strokes and paid the penalty. Nottinghamshire also made a poor start. Thomas had Broad leg-before in his first over, not offering a shot, and he beat Newell by sheer pace in his second.

Johnson punished both opening bowlers and the score reached 70 from 11 overs before a double change brought on Barwick and Ontong and they put Glamorgan in control. Johnson played on to Barwick's third ball; Rice was bowled by Ontong as he attempted a forcing stroke on the back foot.

Birch seemed to have settled in but was then caught at mid wicket from an ambitious hit. Hadlee fell to a good catch at backward square leg; French aimed a sweep at a quicker ball. Ontong's five for 26 were the best figures this season by a Glamorgan bowler.

Glamorgan made a stubborn start before Morris edged Hadlee and was caught behind. Hopkins and Jones made some untroubled strokes before both were dismissed by Afford, the left-arm spinner. Maynard and Holmes fell to Pace.

Ontong and Thomas attempted nothing rash but hit hard when the spinners overpitched. They grew in confidence as Nottinghamshire's spirits sagged a little and the bowlers struggled with crumbling footholds.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings
B C Broad lbw b Thomas ... 0
M Newell b Thomas ... 2
R T Robinson c Hopkins b Barwick ... 45
P Johnson b Barwick ... 37
*C E B Rice b Ontong ... 4
J D Birch c Barwick b Ontong ... 20
R J Hadlee c Morris b Barwick ... 0
†B N French lbw b Ontong ... 1
R A Pick c Hopkins b Ontong ... 6
E E Hemmings lbw b Ontong ... 0
J A Afford not out ... 0
Extras (b 2, w 1, nb 3) ... 6
Total (30.1 overs) ... 121
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-10, 3-70, 4-75, 5-107, 6-108, 7-111, 8-121, 9-121, 10-121.
BOWLING: Thomas 6-1-42-2; Smith 5-1-26-0; Barwick 10-2-25-3; Ontong 9.1-1-26-5.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings
J A Hopkins b Afford ... 21
*H Morris c French b Hadlee ... 2
A L Jones c French b Afford ... 33
G C Holmes c Birch b Hadlee ... 13
M P Maynard c French b Rice ... 0
R C Ontong not out ... 49
J G Thomas not out ... 69
Extras (lb 9, w 1, nb 1) ... 11
Total (5 wkts, 80 overs) ... 198
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-55, 3-69, 4-69, 5-78.
Bonus points: Glamorgan 5, Nottinghamshire 2.
Umpires: D J Constant and J A Jameson.

Crowe stands firm amid the storm

By Paul Martin

"It is always hard to cut down a huge tree, let alone three," says Martin Crowe, the batsman whose appointment to Somerset at the expense of Viv Richards, Joel Garner and possibly even Ian Botham, has sparked off the club's biggest crisis.

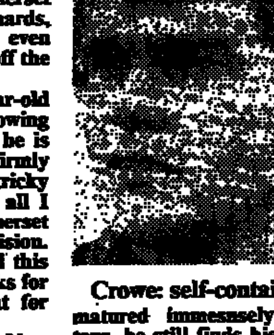
It is a mark of the 23-year-old New Zealander's own growing stature and maturity that he is able to stand his ground firmly as the storm rages. "It's a tricky situation for everone, but all I think about is that Somerset have made a brave decision. There was no way to avoid this acrimony. I hope it all works for them — they deserve that for thinking of their future."

Crowe, who flies back to New Zealand today after his team's first Test series victory in England, believes that he can fulfill a role in Somerset that the "megastars", to use his term, have failed to. He believes the young players of the county have been sadly neglected over the years. He said that, during his first spell at the county in 1984, "I could see they were lost: they had no direction, no sense of purpose, no pride, they were drifting. The club had no leadership." To remedy this, he had run a "Young Nags" club for uncapped players including a semi-formal night out and coaching sessions. Now he hopes to reawaken the enthusiasm and self-confidence that he believes has evaporated since his departure.

"I know how hard it can be as a young player," he said. "I faced Thompson and Lillee in my first series aged 19: no one helped me. I didn't know what to do. They said you're big enough to look after yourself. But you need analysis of your game, help in coping with the pressure. It has taken me two or three years to get back on track."

Since then Crowe has indeed become a star in his own right, though he insists he will never be "really dedicated enough to be a truly great player — to me it's more important to enjoy cricket and be part of a team." He believes his relatively comfortable suburban upbringing is not conducive to the grittiness of a Boycott or a Bradman.

Though his team manger Glenn Turner, the former Worcestershire and New Zealand player, says Martin has supreme natural ability and has



Crowe: self-contained

matured immensely on this tour, he still finds his emotions getting the better of him. In this and in his serious and self-contained nature, he says he takes after his mother rather than his gregarious father or his rebellious, outgoing brother.

He has been steeped in the game from childhood, his father and elder brother, Jeff, also a Test player, teaching him the virtues of a straight bat in their back garden near Auckland. "You could only score 4 runs with a straight drive to the garden fence," recalls his father, David, who has accompanied the tour and is writing a book on it with his sons as sub-editors and censors. "We would bowl short so the boys became strong driving off the back foot." David, teaching them perseverance, mercilessly scored 239 off his son's bowling when Jeff was 10 and martin 6, "but soon they turned the tables on me".

He has spurned offers from more other clubs like championship leaders Essex, believing that there he would have "become an individual, while at Somerset I can give more. I am young and hungry and want to do well, and if anyone wants my help I am always ready."

Crowe believes the county will succeed with or without Ian Botham,— "if he goes he goes, people should respect his decision". Though Ian was a "sometimes indescribable person" he who also had a "beautiful" loyalty to his friends, but "that is not the issue", he said.

"I think the whole thing will blow over in a month or two," Crowe concluded. "People will I hope think of 1987 as the year Somerset started to move again".

Row over Gavaskar

New Delhi (Reuter)- The Indian Cricket Board have summoned India's selectors to a meeting today to discuss the omission of Sunil Gavaskar from the squad to face Australia in the first two one-day internationals next week.

The board have also advised the selectors to pick the squad to face Australia in a three-Test series and six one-day internationals on the basis of merit, adding that they were "deeply perturbed" over the reasons given for omitting Gavaskar. The selection committee chairman, Chandu Borde, had said that Gavaskar, now 37, had been omitted to allow India to build a young team to retain the World Cup next year.

● GWALIOR — Greg Ritchie hit 124 off 125 balls yesterday as the Australians took charge of their 110-overs-a-side one innings match against the Indian champions, Bombay (Reuter reports). The touring side finished the first day on 384 for four from 85 overs. The two teams have agreed to play 110 overs a side and end the match at tea on the last day to enable both sides to reach Jaipur two days before the first one-day international on September 7.

SCORES: Australians 384 for 4 (85 overs) (G M Ritchie 124, A R Border 75, S R Waugh 65 not out, G R J Matthews 49 not out) v Bombay

Clean sweep: Athey on his way to an impressive 76 at the Oval (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Athey blunts Surrey's edge

By Peter Marson

THE OVAL: Gloucestershire, with 2 first innings wickets in hand, have scored 252 runs against Surrey.

A fine innings of 76 by Athey and another by Lloyds, who made 66, helped Gloucestershire remain buoyant along a difficult course against a persistent and potentially hostile attack spearheaded by the dangerous Clarke here yesterday.

There had been rain about at the start of the day and with a strong, blustery wind, it was very much a sweater day as well as being a frustrating one, with nearly two hours lost to bad light in three breaks in play. Having received an invitation to bat, Gloucestershire soon lost Romaines, comprehensively beaten and bowled by Clarke's pace and late movement off the pitch.

Tomlins, too, had been defeated more than once by Clarke's speed and he only survived briefly before being trapped leg before by Bicknell to make the score 41 for two. Athey, who was then 23, had displayed a fast reaction to anything pitched short, and in this way he enjoyed himself mainly at Feltham's expense. Bainbridge was another to appear uncertain against Clarke and an edge past slip preceded his departure to a catch there by Jesty.

By now poor light was gradually getting worse but at least that left Clarke hidden from the batsman's view. However, with the score 86 for three and Athey a step away from a half century, the umpires looked to their meters and Athey and Stovold made for the pavilion for the first break which lasted 15 minutes.

Later, Feltham bowled well to take the wickets of Stovold and Curran but when he veered off line and bowled short, Lloyds was smartly into position in the way Athey had been and after settling, Lloyds began to hit the ball hard and often.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
P W Romaines b Clarke ... 0
K P Tomlins lbw b Bicknell ... 16
C W J Athey c Lynch b Doughty ... 76
P Bainbridge c Jesty b Clarke ... 5
A W Stovold lbw b Feltham ... 20
K M Curran b Feltham ... 6
J W Lloyds c Stewart b Butcher ... 66
†R C Russell not out ... 42
C A Walsh lbw b Clarke ... 0
*D A Graveney not out ... 8
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 2) ... 13
Total (8 wkts, 72 overs) ... 252
D V Lawrence to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-41, 3-69, 4-102, 5-114, 6-136, 7-221, 8-232.
Surrey: *A R Butcher, G S Clinton, A J Stewart, M A Lynch, T E Jesty, †C J Richards, M A Feltham, R J Doughty, K T Medlycott, S T Clarke, M P Bicknell.
Umpires: R Palmer and N T Plews.

Hats and coats off to Curtis

By Alan Gibson

Worcester won the toss, and batted in sunshine, on a tranquil pitch. Somerset, who have understandably been looking a little disorganized lately, produced Botham, though not Richards or Garner. Roebuck led them philosophically, as usual.

Only one wicket fell before lunch, - when Botham had D'Oliveira leg before for 34. Curtis and Smith moved calmly into the afternoon. D'Oliveira had completed his 1,000 runs for the season. Curtis went serenely to a century. The brawny Smith lolloped gently in his wake.

The Worcester ground did look lovely, though I was reminded of the comment of a former secretary of the county club, Brigadier M. A. Green, who said, truly enough, that we only say Worcester is a beautiful ground when we have been looking at the cathedral. Imagine the ground without it, and what would be left. Indeed, a few years ago there was scaffolding around one of the cathedral pinnacles, and while it was there, the ground had never seemed the same place.

Smith, having tried successfully one big drive, was caught from an attempt to repeat it, which only produced a dolly lob to point, at 194, after reaching his 50. At 217 Hick, who had been looking formidable if a little weary, was out, to Dredge. We now observed that the scoring rate had been steadily dropping though the batsmen rarely seemed to be under any pressure. At tea, after 78 overs, the score was 250 for 3.

After tea Curtis progressed to his highest score in his first-class career, and with Neale in to join him the innings took a brighter aspect. The sun stayed out, and the weather grew quite warm. Overcoats, even cardigans, were being taken off. It was a pleasant evening, nonetheless because there was nothing much at stake.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings
T S Curtis c Hardie b Marks ... 153
D B D'Oliveira lbw b Botham ... 34
D M Smith c Dredge b Marks ... 52
G A Hick b Dredge ... 13
*P A Neale not out ... 43
D N Patel b Botham ... 40
Extras (b 2, lb 7, nb 1) ... 10
Total (5 wkts dec, 96.1 overs) ... 345
†S J Rhodes, P J Newport, N V Radford, S M McEwan and A P Pridgeon did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-61, 2-194, 3-217, 4-296, 5-345.
BOWLING: Botham 22.1-4-65-2; Taylor 19-1-85-0; Dredge 16-4-32-1; Pringle 10-0-48-0; Marks 29-4-106-2.

SOMERSET: First Innings
N A Felton b Radford ... 16
*P M Roebuck not out ... 13
†T Gard b Radford ... 0
J J E Hardy not out ... 4
Extras (lb 1) ... 1
Total (2 wkts, 10 overs) ... 34
R J Bartlett, R J Harden, I T Botham, V J Marks, N J Pringle, N S Taylor and C H Dredge to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-18.
Bonus Points: Worcestershire 4, Somerset 2.
Umpires: B Dudleston and R Julian.

Miller in demand

Gloucestershire and Sussex have been given permission to approach Geoff Miller, the former England all-rounder, who has been released by Derbyshire at his own request.

● Phil Newport, aged 23, Worcestershire's pace bowler, was yesterday awarded his county cap. Newport joined the club from Buckinghamshire in 1982 and has taken 80 first class wickets this year in his first full season.

● Derbyshire batsman, Alan Hill, today announced that he will retire from first class cricket to join the coaching staff. Hill, aged 36, made his debut in 1972 and is currently in the middle of his testimonial year, he will take over second team coaching and also help out the commercial department this winter.

Minor final

Cumberland and Oxfordshire will contest the Minor Counties Championship play-off at the County Ground, Worcester, on Saturday, September 13.

Lamb leads spree

DERBY: Northamptonshire have scored 421 all out

Allan Lamb harvested his fourth century of the season in 102 balls as Northamptonshire piled on the runs after a poor start against Derbyshire.

When Holding dismissed Wayne Larkins and Robin Boyd-Moss in successive balls at 24, Northamptonshire were momentarily in trouble before Geoff Cook (31), who passed his 1,000 runs for the season, and Robert Bailey (114) conspired with Lamb to send the score racing to 421 all out at the close.

Lamb went on the rampage after lunch with a powerful array of attacking strokes to take him to 50 off only 60 balls — and the second 50 of a superb century was even quicker. He punished the Derbyshire bowlers, scoring almost at will, pulling and driving with immense power and his 20th four carried him to three figures off only 102 balls.

The same stroke also completed a century stand with Bailey in only 23 overs and Northants had a second batting bonus point in the bank after only 41 overs. Bailey joined in the assault with a six against Finney as he completed his half-century off 77 balls. Lamb followed suit with an immense six on the the pavilion balcony and through a plate glass window. The pair added 200 in 36 overs and Lamb had made 159 off 160 balls, with a six and 27 fours when Jean-Jacques had him caught behind the wicket going for another forcing stroke.

Bailey however kept going merrily as he hit two sixes and 13 fours and reached his century off 134 balls

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings
*G Cook c Maher b Jean-Jacques ... 31
W Larkins b Holding ... 14
R J Boyd-Moss c Maher b Holding ... 0
A J Lamb c Maher b Jean-Jacques ... 159
R J Bailey b Holding ... 114
D J Capel c Maher b Jean-Jacques ... 5
R A Harper lbw b Finney ... 35
†D Ripley not out ... 26
N G B Cook b Finney ... 4
N A Mallender b Jean-Jacques ... 2
G Smith b Finney ... 3
Extras (b 5, lb 11, w 1, nb 11) ... 28
Total (96.3 overs) ... 421
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-24, 3-83, 4-300, 5-322, 6-342, 7-384, 8-398, 9-408, 10-421.
BOWLING: Holding 24-3-86-3; Warner 18-1-95-0; Jean-Jacques 23-2-99-4; Finney 20.3-1-76-3; Sharma 11-1-49-0.
Derbyshire: *K J Barnett, †B J M Maher, A Hill, J E Morris, B Roberts, A M Brown, R Sharma, A E Warner, M Jean-Jacques, M A Holding, R J Finney.
Bonus points: Derby 4, Northants 4.
Umpires: P B Wight and D Lloyd.

Leading first-class averages

Batting

Qualification: 8 inns, avge 45.00

	I	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
J J Whitaker	30	9	1493	200*	71.09
C G Greenidge	32	4	1879	222	67.10
A I Kallicharran	19	5	918	163*	65.57
G A Hick	34	6	1823	227*	65.10
B M McMillan	21	4	999	136	58.76
R J Bailey	38	9	1681	224*	57.96
R J Hadlee	17	4	722	129*	55.53
C E B Rice	25	6	1053	156*	55.42
M Newell	24	9	829	112*	55.26
M W Gatting	23	3	1091	183*	54.55
A J Lamb	26	4	1200	160*	54.54
R T Robinson	26	5	1142	159*	54.38
A J Moles	14	3	593	102	53.90
G Boycott	19	1	931	135*	51.72
I T Botham	15	2	670	104*	51.53
A R Border	32	4	1385	150	49.46
P M Roebuck	33	8	1233	221*	49.32
V J Marks	31	11	968	110	48.40
P W G Parker	40	7	1543	125	46.75
D N Patel	27	7	934	132*	46.70
T S Curtis	37	9	1288	122*	46.00
A A Metcalfe	40	1	1798	151	45.84
J E Morris	37	2	1575	191	45.00

* denotes not out

Bowling

Qualification: 20 wkts, avge 24.00

	O	M	Runs	W	Avge
M D Marshall	683.3	167	1425	96	14.84
R J Hadlee	490.3	136	1094	68	16.08
J H Childs	632.1	211	1433	89	16.10
S T Clarke	300.3	89	695	42	16.54
C A Walsh	751.5	188	2017	109	18.50
A H Gray	328.3	63	934	49	19.06
T M Alderman	610	139	1882	98	19.20
M A Holding	343.1	69	913	47	19.42
J Simmons	205	49	601	29	20.72
A P Pridgeon	516	131	1331	60	22.18
P W Jarvis	428.4	82	1332	60	22.20
P B Clift	413.3	120	1002	45	22.26
J E Emburey	473.3	170	872	39	22.35
W W Daniel	402.1	52	1387	62	22.37
N A Foster	741.5	204	2147	94	22.84
M P Bicknell	165	36	503	22	22.86
G C Small	586.3	145	1650	72	22.91
Imran Khan	305.2	69	850	37	22.97
K E Cooper	373.5	98	898	39	23.02
N Gifford	499.4	141	1245	54	23.05
P A J De Freitas	719.3	132	2105	91	23.13
J Garner	419	95	1091	47	23.21
D R Pringle	467	122	1213	52	23.32
N G Cowans	436.2	94	1380	58	23.79
T D Topley	236.4	49	719	30	23.96

WICKETKEEPERS: R J Parks 80 (73ct, 7st); D E East 72 (53, 19); S J Rhodes 65 (55, 10); R C Russell 52 (49, 3); P R Downton 48 (43, 5); G W Humpage 46 (39, 7); S A Marsh 44 (42, 2).
FIELDSMEN: M A Lynch 35; K M Curran, R A Harper 28; G A Hick 27; C S Cowdrey 26; C E B Rice 25; K J Barnett 24.
FASTEST HUNDRED: I V A Richards 102 off 48 balls, Somerset v Glamorgan, at Taunton, May 8.
BEST BOWLING: C A Walsh, 9 for 72, Gloucestershire v Somerset, at Bristol, July 21.

Final New Zealand averages

Batting

	I	NO	Runs	HS	Avge
J G Bracewell	11	6	386	110	77.20
M D Crowe	18	6	783	106	65.25
J V Coney	17	5	688	140*	57.33
K R Rutherford	19	3	848	317	53.00
E J Gray	13	4	467	108	51.88
B A Edgar	19	5	590	110*	42.14
J G Wright	19	1	668	119	37.11
J J Crowe	19	2	624	159	36.70
I D S Smith	9	3	215	48	35.83
D A Stirling	7	3	116	26	29.00
T E Blain	9	2	172	37	24.57
T J Franklin	10	0	227	95	22.70
W Watson	6	3	30	10	10.00

ALSO BATTED: R J Hadlee 19, 68, 6; B Barrett 0, 3*, 5*, 0*; E J Chatfield 0*, 5.

* denotes not out

Bowling

	O	M	Runs	W	Avge
R J Hadlee	153.5	42	390	19	20.52
J V Coney	75	23	194	7	27.71
J G Bracewell	411	122	1042	37	28.16
E J Gray	438.2	143	1087	37	29.37
E J Chatfield	191.4	47	457	13	35.15
D A Stirling	255	36	1025	28	36.60
W Watson	308.1	59	963	26	37.03
B Barrett	157.5	18	610	15	40.66
M D Crowe	49.5	8	190	2	95.00

ALSO BOWLED: B A Edgar 1-0-2-0; T J Franklin 1-0-5-0; I D S Smith 2-0-8-0; J G Wright 4-1-13-0; K R Rutherford 5-0-25-0.

Cowdrey has himself to blame

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

What are we coming to! At the end of an important match, the one that has almost certainly settled this year's county championship, Christopher Cowdrey, the Kent captain, talks about having been "let down" by his opposite number and old friend, Graham Gooch, regarding an agreement reached on the Essex declaration. It happened at Folkestone on Tuesday.

The best way for Kent to have won the match would have been to collude with no one. The last day broke warm and sunny, with every promise (which was fulfilled) of six hours of uninterrupted cricket. Although Kent were still 103 runs behind on the first innings, with three wickets standing, they were in the happy position of being able to leave all the running to Essex, to whom a victory meant the richest of prizes.

In the event, Kent added another 47 first-innings runs, which put Essex under even greater pressure to take risks. It was not as though there could be no future in their doing so. Far from it. It was the sort of pitch on which they must have known that their two spinners, Acfield and Childs, could make even 125 a treacherously attractive target.

At lunch Essex were 37 for two in their second innings — 93 runs ahead with four hours left for play. It was then that Kent, quite unnecessarily, did a deal. Had Kent continued to make runs hard to get Essex would still have had to declare, but on less favourable terms than those agreed by Cowdrey and Gooch. Instead, the introduction of Aslett's leg-breaks immediately after lunch, to give Essex easier runs, led instantly and inevitably to a surrendering of Kent's initiative.

It is another matter whether or not Gooch left Kent with a marginally stiffer proposition than had been arranged. If he did, Cowdrey would still have been wiser to keep quiet about it and Essex will have it on their collective conscience when they go to Buckingham Palace to receive the Britannic Assurance Trophy. The first mistake, I thought, was Kent's, for having taken the pressure off Essex.

Not many years ago such conspiracies were contrary to championship regulations. These stated that "it is not the intention that any declaration should become the subject of an agreement between the captains. If the umpires have grounds for thinking that any such agreement has taken place, they shall report it accordingly and if that agreement is proved any points scored shall not be counted in the championship table." With a wink and a nod something might sometimes be worked out in an effort to get finished, but it was always discreetly done.

Now that sides are allowed to forfeit an innings, fourth-innings targets are regularly negotiated, as this one was meant to be, as though with slide rule or compass. The captains and their advisers go into conclave and emerge to announce that the settlement is for 292 runs in 71 overs, or whatever. The way things are going with every pitch always covered and a day's play comprising a statutory number of overs, the counties will be captained soon by computers.

Kent given shivers by Moles

By Ivo Tennant

FOLKESTONE: Warwickshire have scored 219 for six wickets against Kent.

It was so cold on the Channel coast that the tent flaps were closed, flags were taken down in case they blew away and piping hot tea was served in the middle. It was opaque too, for much of the day, as five stoppages for bad light and rain would indicate.

Yet the players struggled manfully on. Andy Moles batted 243 minutes for 82, his sixth half-century in 15 innings to total 675 runs at an average of over 56, while Dennis Amiss showed what a class player he remains.

Amiss and Moles, years apart in age but closer in technique, put on 112 for the third wicket. Kent also had their bright moments. Davis, aged 20, a left-arm spinner, made a promising start to his career. He is from Margate, a town not renowned for producing cricketers.

Warwickshire, who are on the verge of signing a young fast bowler from Antigua, Merrick (this means one or two of their three overseas players may not be retained) won the toss. In between stoppages they lost Smith and Kallicharran to fine catches by Marsh, one taken standing up to Christopher Cowdrey, the other a diving effort.

Amiss was soon batting delightfully. To his credit, Davis kept him in check: for a while. Then Amiss's full repertoire of shots appeared. His 73 in 109 minutes included 11 fours. Davis eventually bowled him and a subdued Humpage went to another good catch by Marsh, while Moles soldiered on. His innings included eight fours and a six.

WARWICKSHIRE: First innings
A J Moles b Baptiste ... 82
P A Smith c Marsh b C S Cowdrey ... 11
A I Kallicharran c Marsh b Baptiste ... 2
D L Amiss b Davis ... 73
†G W Humpage c Marsh b Baptiste ... 19
Asif Din c Davis b Underwood ... 11
A M Ferreira not out ... 13
A J Kerr not out ... 0
Extras (lb 4, w 2, nb 2) ... 8
Total (6 wkts, 87 overs) ... 219
G C Small, T A Munton and *N Gifford to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-32, 3-145, 4-195, 5-195, 6-219.
KENT: M R Benson, N R Taylor, C J Tavare, D G Aslett, G R Cowdrey, *C S Cowdrey, E A E Baptiste, †S A Marsh, R M Ellison, A P Davis and D L Underwood.
Bonus points: Kent 2, Warwickshire 2.
Umpires: A G T Whitehead and K J Lyon

CYCLING

Altitude likely to reduce chance of world records

From John Wilcockson, Colorado Springs

It is not expected that any world records will be broken by the 27 teams taking part today in the 100km team time trial which opens the road racing segment of the world championships in the grounds of the United States Air Force Academy. The 25 km circuit, that has to be lapped four times, has a base altitude of 6,500 ft and includes a climb of 5 km each lap to an altitude of nearly 7,000 ft.

It is not the type of terrain for the favoured Italian or Soviet teams to improve on their winning times at the 1984 Olympic Games and last year's world championships. England won the gold medals in this event at the Commonwealth Games, but the British coaches, Bernard Burns and Keith Butler, did not consider the team would have long enough to acclimatize to the high altitude of Colorado. It was not the decision with which the riders agreed, a view confirmed yesterday by one of the British team.

"We have been here for two weeks and everyone feels fine," Alan Gornall said. "We have had our ups and downs, but we are all pretty even now. It just takes longer to recover from an effort at altitude."Gornall and his five team colleagues have to wait until Sunday before competing in the 112 mile amateur road race that terminates the championships.

The Soviet squad, led by the powerful Alexander Zinoviev, has been training daily on the Air Force Academy circuit since completing the Coors Classic 10 days ago. All four men are fully adjusted to the altitude and have a distinct advantage over the Czechoslovakian, East German and Italian teams that arrived here later. A winning time close to two hours is possible.

Huge crowds are expected for the road races weekend, with the Tour de France winner Greg LeMond, the principal favourite in the professionals' 162 mile event on Saturday. LeMond is due to hold a press conference to discuss his chances this evening, and perhaps to counteract the one hosted last night by his French rival Bernard Hinault, who defeated the American in the Coors Classic.

Sean Kelly flew to Colorado Springs yesterday, having missed a plane connection on Tuesday. This means that the Irishman has only two days to adjust to the unaccustomed altitude and the dry heat that is forecast for Saturday. In contrast, men like LeMond, Hinault and the other favourite, Phil Anderson, of Australia, Steve Bauer of Canada and Adri Van der Poel, have been at altitude for three weeks in the Rocky Mountains.

One surprise omission from the American team is the Olympic champion, Alexei Grewal. It was announced yesterday that his place will be taken by the experienced Jonathan Boyer, who was fifth in the 1980 championship race, but has shown little form this season.

Breakthrough by a forgotten man

RUGBY LEAGUE DIARY
Keith Macklin

For most followers of the game, the great personal story on the first day of the season last Sunday was the second comeback of Terry Holmes. Every branch of the media turned out in force at Odsal, sharing the crowd's tension and dreading the moment when Holmes would go crashing to earth and arrive clutching a dangling arm, as he had done in two previous games for Bradford Northern.

Everyone now knows that Holmes came through his time of trial with his shoulder, and his reputation as a rugby player, intact. He did nothing spectacular and did not take unnecessary risks but his passes made two tries, and that is a pretty good percentage in scrum half play in any sphere.

The return of Holmes took so much attention that no one seemed to notice, or be aware, that on the field at Bradford was another player whose rugby career seemed in ruins less than a year ago. Steve O'Neill received such an appalling leg injury that those who heard the crack of fractured bones on the field and on the terraces went cold inside and felt slightly sick.

On September 22 last year O'Neill, a front-row forward with Widnes, was playing in a league game at Wigan. So was Steve Rogers, the Australian international centre who was making his expensive debut for Widnes. Early in the game Rogers suffered a leg fracture, which ended his career with Widnes before it had begun, and O'Neill watched as Rogers was carried off, unaware that his own turn was coming. Later in the game, O'Neill went down under what has always been accepted as a perfectly fair and normal hard tackle. Everyone on the Central Park ground heard the crack and the resultant compound and complicated fracture finished him for the season and seemed to have ended his career.

O'Neill refused to accept that the multiple break meant enforced retirement from Rugby League. He battled his way back to fitness after weeks in hospital and months on crutches, slogged away at training and got his reward when he was selected as substitute forward for the first league game of the season at Bradford. He came on, unobserved, late in the game, and his comeback was, for him, a bigger fairy tale than the return of Holmes, for in the closing minutes he dived over for a consolation try for Widnes.

In general terms, Sunday's opening day brought the usual surprises which can play a large part in the destination of the championship, with an unexpectedly convincing win by the newly-promoted side, Barrow, over Hull Kingston Rovers. The attendance average in the first division was a healthy one at more than 5,500 but second division attendances were mostly around the 500 mark.

The new National Amateur League got off to a rousing start, with improved attendances for amateur fixtures and some exciting matches, and the Great Britain manager, Maurice Bamford, underlined his determined and ruthless fitness policy by leaving out several allegedly unfit top players from his training squad this week at Lilleshall.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: American League: Boston Red Sox 8, Texas Rangers 6; Cleveland Indians 9, Toronto Blue Jays 5; Chicago White Sox 3, Kansas City Royals 0; Minnesota Twins 4, Milwaukee Brewers 0, California Angels 10; Baltimore Orioles 1, New York Yankees 9; Oakland Athletics 8; Detroit Tigers 7, Seattle Mariners 5. National League: Cincinnati Reds 9, Pittsburgh Pirates 1, Montreal Expos 1, Los Angeles Dodgers 0; San Francisco Giants 4, New York Mets 3, San Diego Padres 6; Philadelphia Phillies 2, Atlanta Braves 4, St Louis Cardinals 2; Chicago Cubs v Houston Astros, suspended due to bad light.

FOOTBALL

WEST GERMAN LEAGUE: Borussia Mönchengladbach 1, Werder Bremen 2; Fortuna Düsseldorf 2, Waldhof Mannheim 0; Borussia Dortmund 3, FC Hamburg 0; Cologne 1, Bayer Leverkusen 4; Hamburg 2, Eintracht Frankfurt 0; Schalke 2, Bayer Uerdingen 1.

GOLF

WHITTINGTON BARRACKS, Staffordshire: Women's home internationals: Wales bt Ireland, 6-4 (Welsh names first): Foursomes (Wales 2, Ireland 1): V Thomas and M Rawlings bt C Hourihane and M McKenna, 3 and 1, P Chugg and L Isherwood lost to T O Reilly and L Behan, 1 hole; S Roberts and J Foster bt Y McQuilland and E Higgins, 2 and 1. Singles (Wales 3, Ireland 3): Thomas lost to Hourihane, 2 and 1; Chugg bt O'Reilly, 3 and 1; Rawlings bt Behan, 4 and 3; Roberts bt McKenna, 2 and 1, Foster lost to Higgins, 2 and 1, Isherwood lost to McQuillan, 1 hole. Scotland lead England, 2-1 (English names first): Foursomes (England 1, Scotland 2): P Johnson and S Shapcott halved with B Robertson and S Lawson; J Collingham and J Thornhill halved with L Hope and A Gemmill; J Hill and S Moorcroft lost to J Forbes and L Anderson, 3 and 1
LEADING US LPGA MONEYWINNERS (all US): 1, P Bradley, $483,149 (about £322,000); 2, J Inkster, $275,274; 3, B King, $258,897; 4, A Alcott $224,309; 5, J Geddes, $198,832; 6, C Johnson, $194,824; 7, M-B Zimmerman, $192,686; 8, P Sheehan, $162,819; 9, V Skinner, $158,894; 10, J Dickinson, $152,907.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER SECOND DIVISION: Runcorn 20, Keighley 6
AUCKLAND: Universities World Cup: Final: New Zealand 14, Australia 10. Third-place play-off: France 24, Great Britain 10.

SAILING

HAYLING ISLAND SC: Contender European championships: Race 4: 1, Sweet 16 (P Newlands); Gurnard SC, 2, Black is Black (W McCready), North of Ireland YC; 3, Webbs Wonder (J Webb), RAF SA; 4, 395 (J Hardman), Hayling Island SC. Overall: 1, Newlands; 2, Hardman; 3, N Upton-Brown (Draycott Water SC); 4, Webb.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Poole 51, Milton Keynes 26.

SQUASH

HONG KONG: Open tournament: First round: Soneil Qumser (Pak) bt R Eyles (Aus), 3-9, 9-4, 2-9, 10-8, 10-8; Jansher Khan (Pak) bt S Bowditch (Aus), 9-1, 9-4, 9-5; A Adarraga (Aus) bt D Lloyd (GB), 4-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-2; Umar Hayat Khan (Pak) bt D Styner (Can), 10-8, 9-3, 3, 5-9, 9-6, 9-6; C Jones (GB) bt A Wanstedt (Swe), 9-10, 1-9, 9-3, 9-5, 9-6; P Kenyon (GB) bt D Maddings (GB), 3-9, 9-2, 9-1, 9-0.

TENNIS

PRUDENTIAL JUNIOR COUNTY CUP: Boys: Group 2 (at Bristol): Yorkshire 6, Hertfordshire 3; Devon 5, South Wales 4. Group 3 (at Edgbaston Archery): Kent 8, Avon 1; Hampshire and Isle of Wight 6, Buckinghamshire 3. Group 4 (at Gerrards Cross): Norfolk 7, East of Scotland 2, Sussex 6, Cheshire 3. Group 5 (at Leicester): Nottinghamshire 6, North Wales 3, Dorset 6, Staffordshire 3. Group 6 (at Peterborough): Gloucestershire 6, Durham and Cleveland 3; Leicestershire 6, Warwickshire 2. Group 8 (at Tring): Suffolk 6, Derbyshire 3, Cambridge 8, Oxford 1. Group 9 (at Nottingham): Somerset 9, Hereford and Worcester 0, Shropshire 5, North of Scotland 4. Group 10 (at Maidenhead): Bedfordshire 7, Wiltshire 2; Northamptonshire 6, Cumbria 3. Group 11 (at Glasgow): Channel Islands 6, Northumberland 3; South of Scotland 9, Isle of Man 0. Promoted: Devon, Hampshire and Isle of Wight, Sussex, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, Cambridgeshire, Shropshire, Bedfordshire, South of Scotland. Relegated: South Wales, Avon, East of Scotland, North Wales, Durham and Cleveland, Derbyshire, Hereford and Worcester, Cumbria, Isle of Man.
Girls: Group 1 (at Queen's Club): Surrey 7, Essex 2; Yorkshire 8, Avon 1. Group 2 (at Chesham Bois): Devon 7, Middlesex 2; Leicestershire 6, Nottinghamshire 3. Group 3 (at Cheltenham): Warwickshire 7, Kent 2; Berkshire 6, Hampshire and Isle of Wight 3. Group 4 (at Edgbaston Priory): Cambridgeshire 8, Lancashire 1; Sussex 7, Lincolnshire 2. Group 5 (at Winchester): Cheshire 9, Oxfordshire 0; Norfolk 6, Hertfordshire 3. Group 7 (at Solihull Arden): Hereford and Worcester 5, East of Scotland 4; Gloucestershire 5, Staffordshire 4. Group 8 (at Exeter): South Wales 7, Somerset 2, North of Scotland 5, Cornwall 4. Group 10 (at Berkhamsted): Bedfordshire 6, Northamptonshire 3; Suffolk 7, Shropshire 2. Group 11 (at Helensburgh): South of Scotland 8, Channel Islands 1; Cumbria 9, Isle of Man 0. Promoted: Surrey, Devon, Warwickshire, Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Hereford and Worcester, South Wales, Suffolk, South of Scotland. Relegated: Avon, Nottinghamshire, Kent, Lincolnshire, Oxfordshire, Gloucestershire, Somerset, Shropshire, Isle of Man.
MEN'S SINGLES: Fourth round: B Becker (WG) bt G Donnelly (US), 6-4, 6-3, 6-7, 6-4; M Mecir (Cz) bt M Wilander (Swe), 6-7, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4; M Srejber (Cz) bt T Witsken (US), 6-7, 7-6, 6-1, 6-4.
WOMEN'S SINGLES: Quarter-finals: S Graf (WG) bt B Gadusek (US), 6-3, 6-1.

VOLLEYBALL

WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (in Czechoslovakia): Group A (at Zilina): Bulgaria 3, Czechoslovakia 2; South Korea 3, Canada 0. Group B (at Plzen): China 3, East Germany 1; Soviet Union 3, Tunisia 0. Group C (at Brno): Cuba 3, Brazil 0, Peru 3, West Germany 0. Group D (at Olomouc): Japan 3, North Korea 1. United States 3, Italy 1; Japan 3, Italy 0

Blown away

The fourth race of the BASF 40th Anniversary Merlin Rocket championships at Abersoch was postponed due to heavy winds.

200 up

Nigel Aspinall won his 200th game in 20 appearances since 1966 in the President's Cup Croquet Tournament at Hurlingham yesterday.

FOOTBALL: EVANS AFRAID OF BEING DRAGGED INTO ENGLAND'S HOOLIGANISM PROBLEMS

Worried Wales campaign to prevent a clash of supporters

Worried Wales have pleaded with their supporters not to risk a confrontation with England supporters next week when both countries play in Scandinavia. England face Sweden in an international match in Stockholm, while Wales begin their European championship campaign against Finland in Helsinki.

Welsh supporters plan to travel by ferry from Newcastle and *Alun Evans, the Welsh* FA secretary, said yesterday: "I will be contacting the FA. We are afraid we might be dragged into another country's problems. We will make every effort to work with the FA to ensure there are no incidents. We don't want a repeat of the West Ham United – Manchester United ferry fracas.

"We urge any Welsh supporters going to Finland to ensure that they do not find themselves travelling through Sweden. It's in everybody's interest that British football has a clean sheet next week."

UEFA, who are closely monitoring the behaviour of supporters, meet in Prague next Thursday to reconsider the ban on Football League clubs competing in European competition. The ban followed the Heysel stadium tragedy 16 months ago when Liverpool and Juventus supporters at the European Cup final clashed

England's inclusion in the European championship was at one time threatened and Evans added: "We don't want anybody to have any excuse *for blaming British supporters* for more trouble."

Welsh followers do not travel in large numbers, but Evans confirmed: "Some are planning to travel by ferry from Newcastle and there is every chance England supporters will also be on board."

● Tony Norman, the Hull City goalkeeper, has withdrawn from the Welsh squad because of a persistent back injury. Norman, who made his debut for Wales last season, winning three caps, has been unable to train since he injured his back in the opening game of the season, although he has not missed a match so far.

In demand: Bayern Munich want Lerby back

Bassett's pride, Croker's fall

Dave Bassett, the Wimbledon manager, wishes the League programme finished today. "At least that's what my Mum wishes," he said. Bassett can afford to joke as Wimbledon, a Southern League club 10 years ago, proudly stand on top of the first division after beating Charlton Athletic 1-0 at Selhurst Park on Tuesday night.

"Even if we are relegated, we can say we were top of the League," said Bassett, whose side's winner came from Dennis Wise, aged 19, three minutes from time in front of only 6,531 spectators.

The match was watched by Ted Croker, the FA secretary, who recently suggested that Wimbledon should not be in the first division. "We made our point and Mr Croker probably regrets saying that," Bassett said.

Lennie Lawrence, the Charlton manager, was bitterly disappointed by the defeat, especially after his side had won at Manchester United on Saturday. "I spent two days trying to nail the players feet back on the floor, but seem to have failed," he said.

Maurice Evans, the Oxford United manager, also had harsh words for his side after the 3-1 defeat against Everton at Goodison Park. "Absolute rubbish," Evans said.

But Howard Kendall, the Everton manager, was delighted that his makeshift team had reached second in the table. Everton took 51 minutes to break through, with a Steven penalty, but Houghton equalized before Harper and Langley sealed the points.

Tottenham Hotspur, the previous leaders, went down 2-0 at Southampton. Clarke, the £400,000 signing from Bournemouth, scored his fifth goal since arriving at the Dell and Wallace notched the second to hand Tottenham their first defeat this season.

West Ham United also came unstuck for only the second time in nearly a year at Upton Park. Goals from Clough and Webb gave Nottingham Forest a 2-1 win, but while Bobby Robson, the England manager, can rub his hands in anticipation at these two exciting prospects, it seemed highly questionable selection policy that Andy Roxburgh, the new Scotland manager, could leave out McAvennie from his squad after the way the forward burst through to give West Ham the lead.

Quinn and Adams, the Arsenal youngsters, scored the goals that ended Sheffield Wednesday's unbeaten start to the season at Highbury, but Chelsea were booed off at Stamford Bridge after the 0-0 draw with Coventry City. George Curtis, the Coventry manager, was *jubilant with his* side's start saying: "Everybody was talking about us as being relegation candidates. This year we intend surprising a few people."

Oldham Athletic went top of the second division, their highest league position in 50 years when Ron Futcher's 25th penalty was enough to win 1-0 at Ipswich Town, despite Oldham's Milligan being sent off after 73 minutes with his second bookable offence. Leeds United also won with 10 men at Barnsley, Baird scoring the only goal after 27 minutes and being sent off six minutes later for a foul.

HOCKEY

German coach tips England to win World Cup

From Sydney Friskin, Hamburg

Klaus Kleiter, the West German coach, believes that England can win the World Cup starting in London on October 4. He is counfounded by the speed, fitness and skills of the England team, who defeated West Germany 4-2 in Tuesday's international match and drew 3-3 in the training match yesterday morning.

England's strongest asset on Tuesday was their adaptability, which enabled them to put together a match-winning forward line in the absence of the injured Balcheior. Kerly, whose injury problems have now been overcome, was England's spearhead in Tuesday's match. He made the German defence look ordinary, none more so than Fischer, one of the world's best deep defenders who, according to Kleiter, is worried about his exams and could not give of his best.

In yesterday's match, which was played in appalling weather conditions, both sides made several changes, England's field of choice having been reduced from 16 to 14 because Barber and Hughes were not available for business reasons. The Germans, who rested Fischer, took a quick 2-0 lead through Schmidt-Opper and Hilgers.

But shortly before half-time, Dodds reduced the lead from a short corner. England emerged from a perilous situation in the second half, having at one time been reduced to nine men as Leman and Kerly were given yellow temporary suspension cards for dangerous tackling. Hilgers put the Germans 3-1 in front before Grimley replied with some help from Sherwani. And almost on time, Dodds saved the match with a scrambled goal.

Colin Whalley, the England manager, while rejoicing in his team's deeds of derring-do, still sounds a note of caution. His experience tells him that the Germans, who can rise to the big occasion, should never be written off for the World Cup, despite their setbacks, and by the time be comes to London, Fischer himself may get his sums right.

England now play Spain in two matches at Barcelona on September 20 and 21 and are looking forward to these engagements with renewed interest.

WEST GERMANY: T Frank, A Mots, T Gunts, V Fried, U Hanel, A Keller, E Schmidt-Opper, J Hurter, T Reck, S Blocher, M Hilgers.
ENGLAND: J Hurst, J Potter, D Faulkner, P Bolland, M Grimley, J Shaw, R Dodds, R Clift (sub: K Bnaura), R Leman, S Kerly, I Sherwani.
Umpires: J Leepers (Belgium), M Peter (East Germany).

BASKETBALL

Palace and Brunel set to join forces

Crystal Palace, England's most famous but recently troubled National League club, are to merge with their division one rivals, Brunel. Home fixtures for the season beginning on September 20 will be split between the Crystal Palace national sports centre and Brunel University, Uxbridge.

Palace have won more national titles than any other English club but have had financial problems for several seasons and earlier this summer announced they would have no American players and would not pay their English staff this season.

The clubs reached agreement in principal yesterday morning and the merger was due to be ratified at a meeting of division one clubs

The merger reduces to 13 the number of division one clubs for the new season, following Manchester United's takeover of Manchester Giants and the withdrawal of Worthing.

● Bracknell Pirates have sacked Mizelle Rivers, their new American player, only 12 days after he arrived in this country. Mark Dunning, the Pirates' head coach, said that Rivers, aged 23, a 6ft 9in centre from Little Rock, Arkansas, was "just not good enough."

Top clubs lured by Cup cash

Everton and West Ham United are among 14 first division clubs who have given the much-maligned Full Members' Cup a boost by entering this season's competition. Although Liverpool, Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal have declined to take part, the tournament has attracted almost twice as many clubs as it did last season.

The Full Members' Cup was widely condemned and attracted little interest in its early stages but Chelsea's 5-4 victory over Manchester City in last season's Wembley final drew a 67,000 crowd. The two finalists each made more than £100,000, a figure which has clearly interested clubs who previously shunned the competition.

Every match will be a straight knock-out, with extra time and penalties if needed. There will be no replays. The 22 second division clubs will take part in the first round. Aston Villa, Charlton Athletic, Coventry City, Manchester City, Norwich City, Southampton and Wimbledon will come in at the second round stage but Everton, West Ham United, Sheffield Wednesday, Chelsea, Newcastle United, Oxford United and Watford will not be involved until the third round.

DRAW: First round: Sunderland v Barnsley; Grimsby Town v Hull City, Stoke City v Sheffield United; Huddersfield Town v Blackburn Rover; Leeds United v Bradford City; Oldham Athletic v Derby County; Brighton and Hove Albion v Birmingham City; Millwall v West Bromwich Albion; Shrewsbury Town v Reading; Ipswich Town v Plymouth Argyle; Portsmouth v Crystal Palace.
Matches to be played on September 17, October 1 or October 22

Knock-out blow for Hartlepool

Middlesbrough, who began the season playing on the ground of their neighbours, Hartlepool United, returned to Ayresome Park on Tuesday night to knock Hartlepool out of the Littlewoods Challenge Cup. Ripley gave Middlesbrough the lead after 31 minutes and Hamilton, who had missed a fifth minute penalty, made it 2-0 to earn a 3-1 win on aggregate.

Robinson, the Shrewsbury Town forward, scored a hat-trick in the last six minutes of his side's 4-0 win at Crewe Alexandra to also earn a place in the second round.

Walwyn, who netted three for York City in their first leg match at Sunderland, scored in the last minute of injury time on Tuesday to deny Sunderland a place in the second round. Buchanan, who was signed from Blyth Spartans last month, scored twice for Sunderland and when Proctor made it 3-0 in injury time, Sunderland looked to *have done enough.* But Walwyn's last-gasp goal took the game into extra time, with the aggregate scores level at 5-5, from which York emerged the winners on away goals.

Stockport County scored through Wilkes after 22 seconds of their 3-3 draw at Tranmere Rovers which gave them a 5-4 aggregate win. Two goals in the last three minutes took Southend United to victory at Brentford while Huddersfield Town needed extra time goals from Cork and Shearer for a second round place after Halifax Town had wiped out their first leg deficit with goals by Galloway and Thornber.

Come back Lerby

Ulli Hoeness, the Bayern Munich manager, wants Soren Lerby, the Danish World Cup midfield player, back in his side by the end of the year. Lerby was transferred from the West German *champions to Monaco* during the close season, but Hoeness said he let him go only because he could not match the salary.

"If he just gives me the word, we will start talks about buying him back. I told him in the spring that there was a big difference between being seventh or eighth in France and being champions of West Germany and perhaps Europe," Hoeness said.

In the West German league on Tuesday, Bayer Leverkusen beat Cologne 4-1 to remain at the top, ahead of Hamburg.

Cologne, chasing their first win in four matches, had most of the play but lacked marksmen. Rolff, Waas, Hinterberger and Scheier scored for Leverkusen.

Hamburg stay level with Leverkusen on seven points but behind on goal difference after goals from Gruendel and Kaltz had given them a 2-0 win over Eintracht Frankfurt, who *suffered their first defeat of the* season.

Werder Bremen withstood a continuous onslaught from Borussia Mönchengladbach, scrambling shot after shot away from their goal area, before emerging 2-1 winners, to move into third place. Kutzop scored twice from the penalty spot for the winners, while Thiele scored for the home team.

Bayer Uerdingen lie in fifth place behind Frankfurt after their unbeaten run was brought to an end by a 2-1 away defeat to Schalke, for whom Bistram and Taueber scored.

In a match between the season's probable relegation candidates, Düsseldorf moved off the bottom of the table at the expense of FC Hamburg, who they beat 2-0.

Six world stars retire

Bonn (Reuter) – Only six of the 13 players who represented West Germany in the World Cup Final in Mexico two months ago are in the squad announced by the manager, Franz Beckenbauer, for a match with Denmark on September 24.

The changes were largely forced on Beckenbauer by the decisions of six players – the captain, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, Hans-Peter Briegel, Felix Magath, Ditmar Jakobs, Norbert Eder and Dieter Höness – to retire from the international scene.

But Beckenbauer has resisted the temptation to start from scratch, listing only two uncapped players in the 19-strong squad for special training from September 7 to 10. They are both forwards – Roland Wohlfarth, of Bayern Munich, and Dieter Eckstein, of Nuremberg.

Wohlfarth's club colleague, Michael Rummenigge, the younger brother of Karl-Heinz, who made a brief appearance for his country as a substitute three years ago, is also included.

Karl-Heinz Förster, the stopper, who played in the 3-2 defeat by Argentina in Mexico, and Pierre Littbarski, the winger, who was on the bench for the World Cup final, are not listed because of club commitments in France.

SQUAD: Goalkeepers: E Immel, H Schumacher. Defenders: K Augenthaler, A Brehme, T Berthold, G Buchwald, W Funkel, M Herget, M Frontzeck. Midfield players: L Matthaeus, U Rahn, W Rolff, O Thon. Forwards: K Allofs, D Eckstein, M Rummenigge, R Wohlfarth, R Völler, H Waas.

RUGBY UNION

Wood can improve image of the game

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

If Dudley Wood, the new secretary of the Rugby Football Union, can maintain as contented a front as he did yesterday over the next few turbulent years for the sport, he will be doing well. Mr Wood, formerly Surrey's representative on the RFU committee, was a delightful chief speaker at the launch in London of the fifteenth *Rothmans Rugby Yearbook* and confirmed what an admirable choice he may prove in public relations terms for the game.

Mr Wood has two initial objectives: to improve the efficiency of the RFU and improve both the union's and the game's image. His task has not been helped by recent events off the field nor, one imagines, by the documentary programme First Tuesday produced by Yorkshire Television, who did not have to work too hard to portray Rugby Union as the villain over the case of Steve Ford, the professionalized Cardiff wing.

"My first task is to change our administration, not because of the people who have been working there for years but because the work has increased at such a rate no team could keep up with it" Mr Wood said. "We have to delegate, be more efficient, find out what our targets and objectives are.

"We must also get our public relations right. For example, we in England have worked hard on our amateur status committee to change the International Board's thinking on writing books or broadcasting and retaining the money. In the end it worked but we still got adverse comments because the new ruling was not made retrospective.

The reason for that – which was not made clear – is because it would have been so unfair to all the people who went without financial rewards to retain their amateur status. Not only would it have been unfair they might even have sued us".

Mr Wood left a life-long career with ICI to become RFU secretary. "But though rugby was my hobby when I was in business, now it is my business I hope the fun I have always had from rugby remains. If I am not enjoying it, I am sure those who play it will not".

There has been discussion as to whether the title of secretary is the correct one rather than chief executive of the RFU; Mr Wood is not worried by titles but suggests that he expects to do some leading, rather than be led, in official RFU thinking. "In my own opinion 99.9 per cent of people involved in the game want it to remain amateur", he said. With a veiled reference to New Zealand's investigations into the financial implications of the summer tour by the New Zealand Cavaliers to South Africa he added: "We all hope the World Cup will go ahead but it is not something we can fudge."

Should the tournament do so, one of the stars may well be Philippe Sella, the French centre whom Rothmans have named as their player of the year.

Rothmans Rugby Yearbook, published by Queen Anne press (hardback £14.95, softback £9.95).

Record on violence defended

By Bryan Stiles

The public should give rugby the chance to sort out the problem of violence on the field, according to the president of the Rugby Football Union, Alan Grimsdell. Mr Grimsdell was speaking at Twickenham yesterday after the imprisonment of David Bishop, the Wales international, for punching an opponent in a Welsh club match.

Mr Grimsdell defended the record of the sport claiming it was no worse than when he played the game 30 years ago. "The number of instances of this nature is very small compared with the number of people who play the game every week," he said. "It is certainly not any worse than it was in my playing days in Buckinghamshire.

"Referees cannot see everything that goes on and you cannot stop people going to court. Once the law is involved you cannot stop it."

Mr Grimsdell was at Twick*enham for the reception* to mark the start of the second season of awards presented by Penod to reward high try-scoring in English rugby. The company will again spend £60,000 on equipment for high try-scoring clubs in English county cup competitions.

● Three weddings have disrupted Wasps' preparations for their first match of the season at Maesteg on Saturday. Their England international full back, Huw Davies, is on honeymoon, the England wing, Simon Smith, is attending a wedding and the England Under-23 scrum half, Steve Bates, is also on honeymoon.

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BOXING: A NATIONAL HERO IN HIS COUNTRY

Tangstad's outlawed trade slips under Norway guard

LAS VEGAS (AP) – Steffen Tangstad, the only professional boxer in a country that outlaws the sport, suddenly finds himself something of a national hero in Norway. Reporters and photographers from Norwegian newspapers have virtually lived with Tangstad here during the past month, sending back dozens of photographs and thousands of words on his improbable quest for a portion of the heavyweight title. *Verdens Gang*, the country's biggest newspaper, alone sent four writers and two photographers.

And, while Norway's state-run television refuses to show Tangstad's bout against Michael Spinks, the International Boxing Federation champion, demand is reportedly heavy for tickets to closed-circuit showings set for 4.30am on Sunday.

A Bergen company, Initiativ Bergen S-A, has arranged to show the closed-circuit broadcast at 32 locations in Norway. The company claim that between 50 and 60 per cent of the tickets have been sold in advance, at prices ranging from £25 to £50.

"It's a little bit funny, people don't quite know what to do about it," Tangstad said. "In a way they accept me, but in another way they don't accept the sport. They want to see the fight, but then again, they don't want to show it on national television."

Tangstad himself isn't happy about his country's 1981 decision to ban professional boxing. "There's a lot of dumb laws in Norway," said Tangstad, who lives in Tonsberg, about an hour's drive south of Oslo. "They don't give people the freedom to do what they want to do."

To pursue his career, Tangstad was forced to leave the country in 1981 after only one professional fight. The decision to ban professional boxing couldn't have come at a worse time for Tangstad, the nation's top prospect who was a five-time Scandinavian champion and a member of the country's 1980 Olympic team.

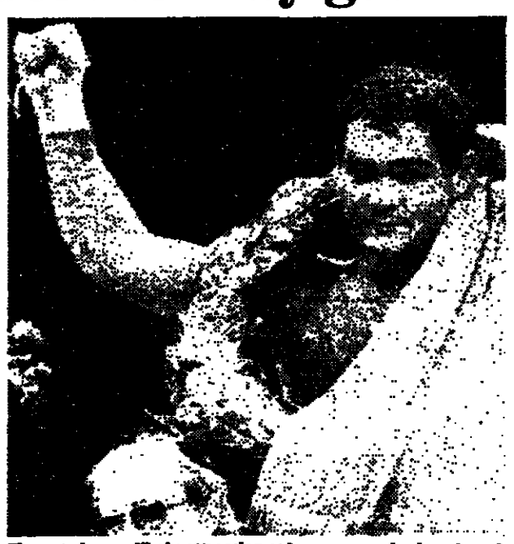
"I made up my mind several years ago to be a professional fighter and I left my country so I could do that," said Tangstad, aged 27. "Looking back, it was tough. But it didn't seem as tough at the time." Tangstad moved to Chicago, where he built up a 16-0-1 record before a combination of homesickness and frustration with small paydays prompted him to move to Denmark in 1983. From there, he fought a succession of European heavyweights, finally winning the European title with a 12-round decision over Lucien Rodriguez in November 1984

Four months later, however, Tangstad lost both the title and his first professional fight to Anders Eklund, of Sweden, who stopped him in the fourth round. Tangstad claims he fought with an injured back, but now hesitates to use that as an excuse. "It was such a big fight, such a big promotion. It was a Norwegian guy against a Swedish guy, the first time two Scandanavians had fought for the European title," he said. "He was better than me that day."

Tangstad recaptured the title last April against John Westgard, of England, but still had not cracked the world heavyweight rankings. He remained virtually unknown outside of Europe until Butch Lewis and Don King, the American promoters, selected him for Spinks' second heavyweight title defease – a selection many boxing observers felt was made to give Spinks an easy title defense.

The Nevada Athletic Commission publicly called for the promoters to justify Tangstad as an opponent, before finally approving him for the fight. That has not impressed Las Vegas oddsmakers who make the brawling Norweigan an 8-1 underdog in the scheduled 15-round fight at the Las Vegas Hilton. "It's easy to pick Spinks as a winner," Tangstad admits. "They know more about him."

Tangstad professes not to be disturbed by the whirlwind of publicity. And, after spending five weeks at the Hilton preparing for the fight, he feels he may have the home advantage against Spinks. "This feels like home to me, now," he said, gesturing out his 20th floor window at the massive resort. "We went to Los Angeles for a day and, when we got back, I came in the room and thought, 'It's sure good to be home.' "



Tangstad:an unlikely attraction at home, an underdog abroad

Graham bout on

Herol Graham, who has been given medical clearance to carry on boxing, will meet Tony Harrison, of the United States, at the Albert Hall on September 17. The bout had been in doubt when the British and European middleweight champion had to undergo hospital tests, which included a brain scan, because of headaches.

Mike Barrett, the bout's promoter, said yesterday: "Herol is 100 per cent fit and his trainer Brendan Ingle phoned me to say that he will definitely go ahead with the fight." Graham, who is ranked No 2 in the world by the World Boxing Council, had apparently been suffering from a virus.

Brian Anderson, who is also trained by Ingle, has been nominated to meet the southern area champion, Tony Burke, in an eliminator for the British middleweight title.

Move to match Bugner with Holmes

Sydney (AP) – The former European and Commonwealth heavyweight champion, Joe Bugner, could meet the former world champion, Larry Holmes, of the United States, in Sydney later this year, the Australian promoter, Bill Mordey, said yesterday.

Bugner, aged 36, will end a 30-month absence from the ring when he fights the American, James "Quick" Tillis, at the 12,000-seater Sydney Entertainment Centre on September 15. Mordey said he had asked his American agent, Don Majeski, to contact Holmes and offer him a match with Bugner, if the former European and Commonwealth champion, now based in Sydney, defeated Tillis. "Negotiations have begun but it will depend on what terms and conditions Holmes and his agents want, or need, and whether Holmes himself has the fitness," Mordey said.

The Hungarian-born Bugner said: "A fight with Holmes would really appeal to me, but first I have to take care of *Tillis.*" Holmes has not fought since his two defeats by Micheal Spinks, but has frequently talked of making a return to the ring.

TABLE TENNIS

England warned

Desmond Douglas, England's top player, has warned his team mates not to be complacent as they launch their campaign to regain a place in the European premier league against Turkey in Pontesbury, near Shrewsbury, on September 27.

The England men's team last played Turkey in the European championship earlier this year and won 5-0, but Douglas is taking nothing for granted. "I beat their number one, Yaldiz, in straight games in Prague but they were both close games and I intend to treat him with respect." Douglas said. "Turkey will be no pushovers."

The fixture is the first of seven for the new season and Donald Parker, the England team coach, knows exactly what he wants. "We are heading for the premier division," he said.

MOTOR RACING

Switch for Sheene

Barry Sheene and Johnny Cecotto, the former world motor cycle racing champions, are to renew past rivalries on Sunday on four wheels in Silverstone's Istel RAC Tourist Trophy race, the tenth round of the European Touring Car championship.

Sheene, twice world 500cc champion in the mid-1970s, drives a Colt Starion turbo for the demanding 107-lap, 500-kilometre race, while Cecotto, the world 350cc champion in 1975, will be at the wheel of a Volvo 240T.

Sheene is warming to the challenge of taking on Cecotto again: "I used to beat him all of the time on the 500cc machines, but he used to beat me in the 750cc races. It's good to race against him again."

TUESDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION: Arsenal 2, Sheffield Wednesday 0; Charlton Athletic 0, Wimbledon 1; Chelsea 0, Coventry City 0; Everton 3, Oxford United 1; Southampton 2, Tottenham Hotspur 0; West Ham United 1, Nottingham Forest 2.
SECOND DIVISION: Barnsley 0, Leeds United 1; Hull City 0, Portsmouth 2; Ipswich Town 0, Oldham Athletic 0; Sheffield United 2, Millwall 1; Stoke City 1, West Bromwich Albion 1.
LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP: First round, first leg: Carlisle 1, Grimsby 0. First round, second leg: Blackburn 2, Wigan 0 (Blackburn won 5-1 on aggregate). Bolton 0, Bury 0 (agg 1-2); Brentford 2, Southend 3 (agg 2-4); Bristol C 1, Bournemouth 1 (agg 2-1); Burnley 1, Rochdale 3 (agg 2-4); Cambridge U 1, Orient 0 (agg 3-2); Crewe 0, Shrewsbury 4 (agg 0-4); Darlington 1, Scunthorpe 2 (agg 1-4); Halifax 2, Huddersfield 2 (agg 3-5); Lincoln 0, Wolverhampton 1 (agg 2-2; Lincoln won on away goals); Mansfield 2, Walsall 4 (agg 2-5); Middlesbrough 2, Hartlepool 0 (agg 3-1); Newport 1, Exeter 0 (agg 1-0); Plymouth 0, Cardiff 1 (agg 4-6); Preston 2, Blackpool 1 (agg 2-1); Rotherham 4, Doncaster 1 (agg 5-2); Swansea 5, Hereford 1 (agg 8-4); Torquay 2, Swindon 3 (agg 2-5); Tranmere 3, Stockport 3 (agg 4-5); Wrexham 2, Chesterfield 2 (agg 4-2); York 1, Sunderland 3 (agg 5-5, York won on away goals).
ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Bowers 1, Ford 1; East Ham 0, East Thurrock 2; Eton Manor 0, Brentwood 3; Stansted 0, Purfleet 2; Witham 0, Brightlingsea 0.
SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Fulham 1, Millwall 4. Second division: Colchester 3, Southend 1; Crystal Palace 5, Brentford 2; Northampton 5, Swindon 2; Reading 2, Oxford 4.
LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham 0, Northwood 2; Yeading 1, Hemwell 1.
COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: BAe Weybridge 1, Westfield 1; Chipstead 4, Malden 3; Farleigh Rovers 2, Horley 2; Godalming 1, Cranleigh 1; Virginia Water 1, Chobham 2.
GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Enfield 1, Dagenham 0; Sutton Utd 2, Wealdstone 2; Telford 0, Stafford 0.
GREAT MILLS WESTERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Clevedon 5, Frome 0; Barnstaple 1, Dawlish 1; Weston-super-Mare 7, Chard 0. First division: Backwell 0, Glastonbury 0; Calne 0, Portway Bristol 1; Swanage and Herston 2, Weymouth 2.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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1. HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15). Film at 2.00 4.05 6.15 8.30
2. Visconti's first masterpiece OBSESSIONE (PG). Film at 2.55 5.20 8.10 SEATS BOOKABLE EVE. PERFS.

SCREEN AT THE ELECTRIC 229 3494. DESERT HEARTS (18) 3.30, 5.15, 7.10, 9.05. Seats bookable. Plenty of free parking nearby.

SCREEN ON THE HILL 435 3306/9787 DESERT HEARTS (18) 3.00, 4.45, 7.00, 9.05. Fri/Sat 11.15 Lic Bar. Seats Bookable Air Conditioned.

SCREEN ON BAKER STREET 935 2772. 1) HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (15) 2.00, 4.15, 6.40 8.55 2) BIG AND NANCY (18) 1.35 3.55 6.30 8.45. Seats bookable. Lic Bar.

SCREEN ON ISLINGTON GREEN 226 3520. Sharon Stone's TRUE COLOR PURPLE (18) 2.05, 5.00, 8.05. Seats bookable in advance.

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 **Ceefax AM.** News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.
6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood in London and Nick Ross at the Trades Union Congress in Brighton. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Other items include Dr Richard Smith's 'phone-in medical advice.
9.20 **Trades Union Congress 1986.** Vincent Hanna and Nicholas Jones introduce the fourth day's debates from Brighton.
10.30 **Play School** presented by Stuart McGugan with guest, Elizabeth Watts. (r)
10.50 **Trades Union Congress 1986.** The debate on nuclear power **12.45 Ceefax.**
1.00 **News After Noon** with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart, includes news headlines with subtitles **1.25** Regional news. The weather details come from Bill Giles **1.30 Mop and Smiff.** For the very young. (r) **1.45 Ceefax.**
2.15 **Trades Union Congress 1986.** South Africa and sanctions are debated **4.12** Regional news.
4.15 **The Kwicky Koala Show.** Three cartoons.
4.40 **Film: One Hour to Zero.** Another adventure in the Children's Film Foundation season, this one about two boys and a burglar who are left behind when a remote area in Wales is cleared after an experimental reactor malfunctions. Starring Dudley Sutton, Toby Bridge and Andrew Ashby. Directed by Jeremy Summers.
5.35 **Kick Start.** The Grand Final of the Norwich Union Kick Start Trophy. The commentators are Peter Purves and Jack Stites.
6.00 **News** with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell.
6.35 **London Plus.**
7.00 **Top of the Pops** presented by Gary Davies.
7.30 **EastEnders.** Dot confides in Dr Legg about a serious problem; Pauline is upset when Michelle refuses an offer of help; and Pauline saves Debs from an unscrupulous caller. (Ceefax)
8.00 **Bodymatters.** Drs Graeme Garden, Alan Maryon Davis and Gillian Rice are joined by this year's remarkable Mastermind winner, Jennifer Keaveny, and memory expert David Berglas, in an exploration of the human brain's facility to remember. (Ceefax)
8.30 **Lenny Henry Tonite.** The first of a new series of six situation comedies. Tonight, the comedian plays the part of Vince, a motorcycle messenger longing to become a fully-fledged Hells Angel. (Ceefax)
9.00 **News** with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys. Regional news and weather.
9.30 **In Sickness and in Health.** Alf Garnett, the loud-mouth bigot, is now a widower, distressed at the financial loss the death of his wife has caused. (see Choice)
10.00 **Film: The Getaway** (1972) starring Steve McQueen, Ali McGraw and Ben Johnson. Doc McCoy, a bank robber, is released from prison through the connivance of crooked businessman, Jack Benyon, and finds himself in charge of a bank robbery that goes wrong. McCoy and his wife, Carol are soon on the run with the loot chased by the police and a ruthless gangster. Directed by Sam Peckinpah.
12.00 **Weather.**

TV-AM

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Adrian Brown. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55; cartoon at 7.25; and Jeni Barnett's postbag at 8.35.
8.45 **Wacaday** introduced by Timmy Mallett.

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9.25 **Thames news headlines** followed by **Lost Kingdoms.** A portrait of the Great Chief Anga Gaga Tongola II of Zaire. (r) **9.55 Heavy Horses.** Clydesale horses on a Canadian farm **10.10 Indian Legends of Canada.** Mandamin, the Legend of Corn. (r) **10.35 Cartoon.**
10.40 **Street Hawk.** Jesse Hawk comes to the aid of a neighbourhood watch group. **11.25 Home Cookery Club.** Spicy Mince Pie. (r)
11.30 **About Britain.** Sir John Betjeman's Cornwall.
12.00 **The Little Green Man.** Animated adventures of a visitor from another planet. (r) **12.10 Puddle Lane.** Puppet show with Neil Innes. (r) **12.30 The Sullivans.**
1.00 **News at One** with John Suchet **1.20 Thames news 1.30 Levkas Man.** Episode one of a drama serial about a young man searching in Greece for his missing archaeologist father. (r) **2.25 Home Cookery Club.** Smoked Mackerel Pate. (r)
2.30 **Daytime.** Sarah Kennedy chairs a studio discussion on the male pill which is due to be on sale in High Street chemists in the 1990s. Among those taking part are one of the original guinea pigs, Jimmy Bremner, and his wife, Gillian, and Dr David Delvin. **3.00 Take the High Road. 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and Daughters.**
4.00 **Flicks.** Christopher Lillicrap introduces a story about a mouse. **4.10 Roadrunner.** Cartoon.
4.20 **Animals in Action.** In this first of a new series, Vicky Licorish and Mike Linley examine animals living in cold climates **4.45 Under the Same Sky: The Mushroom Mountain.** A story from Belgium about children trapped underground.
5.15 **Blockbusters.** Quiz game.
5.45 **News** with John Suchet **6.00 Thames news.**
6.25 **Help!** Viv Taylor Gee with a benefits up-date.
6.35 **Crossroads.**
7.00 **Emmerdale Farm.** Excitement mounts in the village as the day of the cricket match draws approaches.
7.30 **Fresh Fields.** The first of a new series of the successful sitcom starring Julia McKenzie and Anton Rodgers. (Oracle)
8.00 **Film: Superman II** (1980) starring Christopher Reeve. Superman has his work cut out to contain General Zod and his aides, Ursa and Non, when they are released accidentally from their prison when Superman throws a terrorist's H-bomb into space. The trio travel to Earth with the object of killing Superman whose father was the cause of their incarceration in the first place. Directed by Richard Lester.
10.10 **News** with Alastair Burnet and Leonard Parkin. Weather followed by Thames news headlines.
10.40 **Kojak.** An eye-witness to a radical group's bombing disappears when Kojak wants to question him.
11.40 **Film: Five to One*** (1963) starring Lee Montague. A peterman's plan for his biggest haul goes wrong when the bookie's safe he breaks into produces nothing. Directed by Gordon Fleming.
12.40 **Night Thoughts.**

Judy Davis: Rocket to the Moon, on Channel 4, 9.30pm

CHOICE

● **IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH** (BBC1, 9.30pm) is back, but with a great hole at its heart. All that remains of Else, "the silly old moo", is her wheelchair, a touching and eloquent reminder to us about why the remaining Garnetts, plus a minimal representation of friends and neighbours, are gathered in the parlour for the distribution of funeral Scotch and sandwiches. There is little evidence, in episode one of Johnny Speight's new series, that the departure of Else has left a correspondingly great hole at the heart of Alf Garnett. After a morosely- delivered reprimand to his Creator ("why did he have to take *her !*"), the bigot gets back to his familiar targets, the immigrant "coons". But first, there is a series of characteristic explosions over the pecuniary disadvantages of sudden widowerhood ("Talk about the cost of living ! What about the cost of dying! "). Alf, the colonialists' champion, is heard at his quintessential best when, in a corner over Britain's role in the slave trade, he delivers his magisterial judgment that the slaves were only chained up because they kept running away. Vintage Speight, this. Elsewhere in the script, there is much sourness. The loss of Alf's old sparring partner is sadly evident.

● In his 1938 stage play **ROCKET TO THE MOON** (Channel 4, 9.30pm), Clifford Odets explored, with much wry humour and not a little pathos, the snatched moments of genuine happiness that Odets portrayed as mere intervals in a remorseless twentieth century game of Making the Best of It. The passing years have been kind to the play.; only in the last act of tonight's television adaptation do the emotional resolutions take quite a lot of swallowing. The players, faultlessly directed by John Jacobs, include Judy Davis as the dental surgery catalyst. If *A Passage to India* made you temporarily forget the unique style that Miss Davis displayed in *My Brilliant Career*, then you will vividly be reminded of it throughout *Rocket to the Moon*. There isn't an unemployed inch in her body.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.55 **Open University:** Meanings of Madness (3) Ends at 7.20.
9.00 **Ceefax.**
4.10 **Trades Union Congress 1986.** A continuation from BBC 1 of the fourth day's debates in Brighton. Presented by Vincent Hanna and Nicholas Jones.
5.05 **Ceefax.**
5.25 **News summary** with subtitles. Weather.
5.30 **Our House.** Austin Wookey's bungalow in the Mendips is explored in this programme. Built of asbestos and beaverboard in 1927, the house has been a mine of innovation, being the first in the area to have a flush toilet as well as boasting two storeys, among a host of other, at the time, new ideas. (r)
6.00 **Star Trek.** Captain Kirk and the crew of the starship Enterprise are locked in battle with a force of alien Klingons. Hiding beneath grotesque make-up is Susan Howard, the glamorous Donna from Dallas, who plays the alien King Kang's hideous wife. (r)
6.50 **Film: The Scarlet Runner** (1976) starring Robert Shaw, Genevieve Bujold, and James Earl Jones. Swashbuckling yarn about an 18th century pirate and treasure hunter, Red Ned Lynch, who becomes locked in a feud with the amoral governor of a Caribbean island. Directed by James Goldstone.
8.30 **Farnborough 86.** Raymond Baxter and Chris Serle are the guides for this preview of Farnborough's biggest international air show which has more than 600 exhibits on display, including two new experimental fighter aircraft.
9.00 **My Music.** Question setter and master, Steve Race, introduces another edition of the lighthearted musical quiz between Denis Norden, John Amis, Frank Muir and Ian Wallace.
9.30 **Moonlighting.** Maddie and David are hired by a dead escapologist's wife to guard his body in the mortuary because she is convinced that the man will come back from the dead to murder her. Starring Cybill Shepherd and Bruce Willis.
10.15 **Making Waves.** This last programme of the series includes action from Guernsey's International Power Boat Week; and a profile of Tony Bullimore, last year's Yachtsman of the Year. Bob Langley, Malcolm McKeag and Sue King join him on his trimaran, Apricot.
10.45 **Newsnight**, presented by Ian Smith. The latest national and international news including extended coverage of the main story of the day and a report from Brighton on the fourth day's debates at the Trades Union Conference.
11.30 **Weather.**
11.35 **Open University:** Weekend Outlook **11.40** Health Care in Mozambique. Ends at 12.10.

CHANNEL 4

2.30 **Film: Nicholas Nickleby*** (1947) starring Derek Bond. Continuing the season of films based on novels by Charles Dickens. When his father dies Nicholas and his mother are left penniless. He becomes a teacher at Dotheboys Hall, an educational establishment ruled with a rod of iron by the sadistic headmaster, Wackford Squeers. With Cedric Hardwicke and Bernard Miles. Directed by Cavalcanti.
4.30 **The Gong Show.** The talent show for the talentless, introduced by Chuck Barris. Among those risking ridicule this afternoon is a man who talks backwards.
5.00 **Film: Pin-Up Girl** (1944) starring Betty Grable. A musical made to boost Second World War morale about a young Washington typist who falls for a military hero. Directed by Bruce Humberstone.
6.30 **TUC Conference Report.** Julie Hall presents highlighs of the fourth day's debates in Brighton.
7.00 **Channel Four news** with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen.
7.50 **Comment** from Clemence Watt of the All London Parents Action Group. **Weather.**
8.00 **Equinox: The Tin Snail.** A documentary exploring the 50 year history of the concept of the Citroen 2CV. On the drawing board in 1934, the durable machine eventually reached the public in 1948, since when more than three million have been sold. How does the model retain its popularity?
9.00 **Gardeners' Calendar** introduced by Hannah Gordon. Among the autumn gardening tasks tackled are the propogation of rhododendrons and primulas, and the preparation of a catalogue of bulbs for flowering in the house. (Oracle) (r).
9.30 **Rocket to the Moon**, by Clifford Odets. Judy Davis, John Malkovich, Eli Wallach, Ian McShane and Connie Booth. A love story set in the summer of 1938 in New York. Ben is a successful dentist, married to an over-doting wife, who falls for the charms of his attractive nurse. His father-in-law learns about Ben's infatuation and urges him to be unfaithful to his wife. Directed by John Jacobs. (Oracle) (see Choice)
11.35 **South Africa: After Apartheid.** A discussion on what the future holds for South Africa. Dr Denis Worrall, the South African Ambassador, Tansanqa Linda, mayor of a township near Port Elizabeth, and Ngila Muendane, a member of the Pan African Congress, are each interviewed by Raymond Ackerman, Dr George Kanyeihamba and Wiseman Khuzwayo. How Britain's Labour and Conservative parties see the future in South Africa is described by Denis Healey and Julian Amery. Ends at 12.30.

Radio 4

On long wave. Stereo on VHF (s).
5.55 Shipping. **6.00** News Briefing: Weather. **6.10** Farming. **6.25** Prayer (s).
6.30 Today. With Brian Redhead in Brighton at the Trades Union Congress, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. **6.45** Business News. **6.55, 7.55** Weather. **7.00, 8.00** News. **7.25, 8.25** Sport. **7.45** Thought for the Day.
8.43 Five Hundred Mile Walkies (4) North Cornwall. **8.57** Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 On The Day I Was Born. (New series) Larry Harris talks to Harry Patterson (r).
9.30 The Natural History Programme. What sharks have to fear from man.
10.00 News; The Good Book. Brian Redhead continues his exploration of the Bible (r)
10.30 Morning Story: An Independent Opinion and The Pen-wiper. Read by Leon Sinden.
10.45 Daily Service (s).
11.00 News; Travel; Mothers of Invention. Georgina Ferry investigates schemes to encourage female scientists (r).
11.48 Time for Verse. From Belfast. With Paul Muldoon. (s)
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice.
12.27 Trivia Test Match. With team captains Tim Rice and Willie Rushton (r) (s). **12.55** Weather.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. **1.55** Shipping.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Trophy by Margaret Jones. With Jackie Smith-Wood and Jennifer Piercey.(s).
4.00 News.
4.05 A Good Read. Paperbacks discussed by Brian Gear, Ronald Eyre, Amanda Theunissen
4.35 Kaleidoscope. Last night's edition
5.00 PM. News magazine. **5.50** Shipping. **5.55** Weather.
6.00 News; Financial Report.
6.30 Brain of Britain 1986. The final of the general knowledge contest (r).
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 1886. How provincial papers reflected the lives of the people of Brighton 100 years ago.
7.40 Death of a Teenager. A dramatized documentary by Jeremy Sandford and Philippa Finnis. Based on the journals kept by the mother of Jill Hoey, 19, who took her own life (s).
8.40 Profile.
9.00 Does He Take Sugar? For disabled listeners
9.30 The Archive Auction, with Graham Fawcett.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on A Mouthful of Birds, at Birmingham Rep
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Academic Year (9). Read by Michael Deacon. **10.29** Weather.
10.30 The World Tonight.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Other Times. Other Places. George Scott recalls times and places with the music of the day.
12.00 News; Weather. **12.33** Shipping.
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 A Jewish Testimony. 11.50 A Christian Testimony.

Radio 3

On VHF/FM (in stereo) and MW
6.35 Open University. Mill the reformer. Until 6.55am
6.55 Weather. **7.00** Weather
7.05 Concert: Rimsky-Korsakov (May Night overture), Suk (Love Song, Op 7 No 1: Stepan, piano), Milhaud (Suite francaise), Giordani (Caro mio ben: Wunderlich, tenor), Stradella (Sonata a 4 in A minor), Schubert (Entr'acte in G minor, Rosamunde). **8.00** News
8.05 Concert (contd): Villa-Lobos (Bachanias Brasileiras No 9), Saint-Saens (Cello Concerto No 2: Harrell/Berlin RSO), Bartok (Hungarian folk songs: Gertler, violin, Anderson, piano). Bax (This Worldes Joie), Copland (El Salon Mexico).. **9.00** News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Byrd. Consort of Musicke, with Christopher Hogwood playing the harpsichord and virginal. Songs and instrumental music
9.45 Schubert piano music: Ian Lake plays works including Andante in C, D 29; Hungarian Melody, D 817; and Twelve Landler, D 790
10.25 British Youth Orchestras: Britten-Pears Orchestra (under Schmid),with Barford (harp), Mason (harpsichord), Burnside (piano). Part one. Mozart (Marriage of Figaro overture), and Symphony No 35
11.05 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by BBC
11.25 Britten-Pears Orchestra, part two. Bach, arr Webern (Ricercare, BWV 1079), Martin (pPetite symphonie concertante)
11.55 Pied Piper: music of the Middle Ages.Presented by David Munrow
12.15 Herbert Howells: Fairfield Quartet play the Rhapsodic Quintet Op 31, and String Quartet No 3. **1.00** News
1.05 Michele Campanella: piano recital. Weber (Invitation to the dance, and Sonata No 1), and Franck (Prelude, Chorale and Fugue)
2.05 Death in Venice: Britten's two-act opera. With Kenneth Riegel as Gustav von Aschenbach, and a cast that includes Allan Monk and Jeffrey Gall. Canadian Opera Chorus and Orchestra, under Richard Woitach. Act two at 3.35. News at 4.55
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: with Graham Fawcett

6.30 Proms 86: Thomas Trotter (organ). Liszt, arr Guillou (Prometheus), Widor (Symphony No 6 in G minor)

7.25 Stalin v Wells: with Paul Nicholson as H G Wells and Timothy West as Stalin (r)
8.10 Quintet from Quebec: Societe de Musique Contemporaine du Quebec perform Serge Garant's quintet for flute, oboe, cello, percussion and piano

8.30 Proms 86 (contd):Concert dedicated to the memory of Hans Keller. BBC SO (under Gunter Wand). Bruckner (Symphony No 5

9.45 Letter from Ulster: by John Simpson, Senior Lecturer in Economics, Queen's University, Belfast
10.00 Othmar Schoeck: Virtuoso Ensemble (under Monod), with Heinz Rehfuss (baritone). Elegy, Op 36 (Song cycle to poems by Lenau and Eichendorff)
11.05 Possible Orchestras: Simon Limbrick plays Vivier's Cinq chansons pour percussion. Also works by Toru Takemitsu (played by Nexus), and John Celona. **11.58** News. **12.00** Closedown.

Radio 2

On medium wave. Stereo on VHF.
News on the hour. Sports Desks 1.05 pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55. Cricket Scoreboard 7.30 pm. Tennis (US Open, at 11.02 pm, 12.05 am).
4.00 am Colin Berry. 5.30 Ray Moore. 7.30 Derek Jameson. 9.30 Ken Bruce. 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05 pm David Jacobs. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford. 3.30 David Hamilton. 5.05 Selina Scott. 7.00 Wally Whyton introduces Country Club. 9.00 Rhythm and Blues. Paul Jones on the birth of rhythm and blues in the 60s 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Good Human Guide (new series) with The National Revue Company. 10.30 Star Sound Cinema. Movie magazine presented by Nick Jackson. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight. 1.00 am Patrick Lunt. 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

Radio 1

On MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below).
News on the half-hour from 6.30 am until 8.30 pm then at 10.30 and 12.00 midnight.
5.30 am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show. 9.30 Simon Bates. 12.30 pm Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 12.45 Gary Davies. 3.00 Dave Lee Travis. 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge). 5.45 Bruno Brookes. 7.30 Janice Long. 9.00 Radio Radio. (5) Noel Edmonds. 10.00-12.00 Andy Kershaw. VHF Stereo Radios 1 & 2:- 4.00 am As Radio 2. 10.00 pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00 am As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 6.30 Nature Notebook 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 7.30 New Waves on Shortwave 7.45 Network UK 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Country Style 8.30 John Peel 9.00 News 9.09 Review of British Press 9.15 World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Farnborough Air Show 10.00 News 10.01 Gilbert and Sullivan Phenomenon 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 New Ideas 11.25 A Letter from England 11.30 State of the Nation 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Top Twenty 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours 1.30 Network UK 1.45 A Land of Song 2.00 Outlook 2.45 A Decade of Hits 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours 4.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 State of the Nation 5.45 Sports Roundup 7.45 Here's Humph! 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Business Matters 9.00 News 9.01 Book Choice 9.05 In the Meantime 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00 News 10.09 World Today 10.25 A Letter from England 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Merchant Navy Programme 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Music Now 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 A Land of Song 1.45 Book Choice 1.50 In the Meantime 2.00 News 2.09 Review of British Press 2.15 Every Day a Holy Day 2.30 Liszt Piano Music 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 World Today 4.45 Reflections 4.50 Financial News 5.00 News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.45 World Today. All times in GMT.

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1:1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m; **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m:VHF-90-92.5; **Radio 4:** 200kHz/1500m: VHF-92-95; **LBC:**1152kHz/261m: VHF 97.3; **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m: VHF95.8; **BBC Radio London:** 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; **World Service:** MF 648kHz/463m.

BBC1 WALES 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Gardening Together 12.00-12.05 am news and weather SCOTLAND 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35pm-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 The Ballycastle Fleadh 8.30-9.00 As I Roved Out 12.00-12.05am News and weather. ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

CHANNEL As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.30-11.30 Shadow of Fear 1.20pm News 1.30 Home Cookery 1.35-2.30 Riptide 3.30-4.00 Country GP 6.00-6.35 Channel Report 10.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H 11.40 Full Life 12.10am Untouchables 1.10 Closedown

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Granada Reports 9.30 Film: Raising the Wind 11.00 Granada Reports 11.05 About Britain 11.30 Connections 11.55-12.00 Granada Reports 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-6.35 This is Your Right 10.40 Quincy 11.40 All Kinds of Country 12.10am Who's the Boss? 12.40 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.25 Human Face of the Pacific 10.50 European Folk Tales 11.00-11.30 Connections 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 5.15-5.45 Give us a Clue 6.00 Today South West 6.35-7.30 Carson's Law 10.42 Minder 11.40 Jazz 12.40am Postscript, Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

ANGLIA As London except: 9.25am Story of Tutankhamun 10.20 Wheels 11.00-11.30 Once Upon a Time...Man 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 7.00-7.30 Anything Goes 10.40 Secret Worlds 11.10 Film: Czech Mate 12.35am East Comes West, Closedown

BORDER As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.25 Professor Kitzel 10.35 Fireball XL5 11.00-11.30 Once upon a Time...Man 1.20pm News 1.30 Tucker's Witch 3.00 Bygones 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Lookaround 10.40 Prime Minister in Scotland 11.40 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace 12.35am Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am California Highways 9.50 Orphans of the Wild 10.15 Vintage Spirit 11.05-11.30 Poor Billy Render 1.20pm News 1.30-2.25 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 Weekend Outlook 10.40 Weekend Outlook 10.45 West This Week 11.15 Levkas Man 12.15am That's Hollywood 12.45 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.25am-9.50 California Highway 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six 10.40 Parents and Education 11.40-12.40am Levkas Man.

TVS As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.30-11.30 Shadow of Fear 1.20pm News 1.30 Employment Action Line 1.35-2.30 Riptide 3.30-4.00 Country GP 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 10.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H 11.40 Full Life 12.10am Untouchables 1.10 Company, Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am Where the Road Ends 9.50 Roboskey 10.15 Moon Jumper 10.40 Survival of the Fittest 11.05-11.30 California Highways 12.30pm-1.00 Contact 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00 Crossroads 6.25-7.00 News 10.45 Film: For the Death of a Cop 12.45am Jobfinder 1.45 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25am First Thing 9.30 Tarzan 10.25 Short Story 10.55-11.30 Short Story 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Man in a Suitcase 6.00-6.35 North Tonight 10.40 Prime Minister in Scotland 11.40 Word into Image 12.40am News, Closedown.

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ULSTER As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.25 Little House on the Prairie 11.20-11.30 Max the Mouse 1.20pm Lunchtime 1.30-2.30 Chips 3.30-4.00 Diff'rent Strokes 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.25-6.35 Police Six 10.40 Celebration 11.10 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace 12.10 am News Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street 10.25 Poseidon Files 11.20-11.30 Cartoon 1.20pm News 1.30-2.30 Tucker's Witch 3.00 Parlour Game 3.30-4.00 Struggle Beneath the Sea 6.00-6.35 Scotland Today 7.00-7.30 Take the High Road 8.00 Prime Minister in Scotland 9.00-10.00 From Star Wars to Jedi, Making of a Saga 10.40 Jessie 11.40 Late Call 11.45 Tales From the Darkside 12.15am Closedown

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25am News 9.30 Sesame Street 10.25 Spacewatch 10.40-11.30 Nature of Things 1.20pm News 1.25 Lookaround 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 10.42 The Sweeney 11.40 Last Resort 12.10am God Gets a Bad Press, Closedown.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL 628 8795/638 8891. Ton't 7.45 VIVALDI CONCERTANTE, Joseph Pilbery cond. Soloists: Susanna Rigacci, Giuseppe Fallisi, Jonathan Veira. Mary Pilbery with Pro Musica Chorus of London.

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Lendl's form too much for the flash of Leconte

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, New York

Ivan Lendl, who holds the United States and French titles and was runner-up at Wimbledon, has again advanced to the United States semi-finals. He beat Henri Leconte 7-6, 6-1, 1-6, 6-1 at Flushing Meadow yesterday in a match of many fluctuations, most of them concerning Leconte's form. The first set was thunderously exciting but for the rest of the match Leconte was too flashy to have much chance of winning.

In preparation for Leconte's violent left-handed assault, Lendl had practised hard with his left-handed coach, Tony Roche, who must have had an aching arm after all the serving and volleying Lendl asked of him. Roche must have considered the efforts worthwhile. Lendl played relentlessly well, sternly concentrating on every point.

By contrast, Leconte was prone to have lapses, which Lendl coolly exploited. Lendl never knew what to expect. That applies to anybody who plays Leconte. But Lendl never allowed himself to be either intimidated or disconcerted.

Leconte had three set points, against service, at 5-4 in the first set. But those chances eluded him and a wayward forehand volley cost him a crucial point in the tie-break. Mentally, he was on his heels for a while after that.

Leconte did play a superb third set but a loose second game in the fourth set put him at a disadvantage from which he was never to recover. He had at least checked an astonishing run by Lendl, who in last year's championships, and this year's, had won 26 consecutive sets.

This ninth day (out of 13) began with the following line-up in the men's singles: Lendl v Leconte, Edberg v Wilkison, Srejber v Becker and Nystrom v Mecir. As the rankings suggested would happen, Tim Wilkison was the only American (out of seven who all played Europeans) to advance beyond the last 16. Wilkison and Srejber were unseeded.

The women's singles had contracted even more, with Martina Navratilova and Steffi Graf already through to one semi-final. In the other half of the draw the quarter-final pairings were Helena Sukova v the unseeded Wendy Turnbull and Manuela Maleeva v Chris Lloyd.

The most obvious absentee from the men's list was the second seed, Mats Wilander, who was beaten 6-7, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 by Miloslav Mecir in a delightful match on Tuesday evening. Mecir likes playing Swedes. He beat Stefan Edberg in straight sets at Wimbledon and on shale courts he has baffled most of the leading Swedes, Wilander included, at one time or another. Obviously, he is becoming almost as effective on hard courts.

Whereas Leconte is the most exciting and flamboyant player in the world, the lightly bearded Mecir is the most subtle and charming. His stroking technique is as deceptive as his footwork. He uses all the angles and commands deft variations of length and pace. Mecir has what is known in the trade as weight of shot, which is to say that his delectable timing puts more pace on the ball than the muscular effort suggests is likely.

He has a sure touch, too. As for the footwork, Mecir is a dreamy-looking chap who almost seems to lumber about the court. But his opponents will tell you that he is very fast. They call him "The Big Cat."

On the other hand, the Swedes, though they differ among themselves (with Edberg and Joakim Nystrom providing the extremes), all play to conventional patterns. Mecir does not do that, so he puzzles them. This time it was Wilander's turn to work and sweat and shake his head in bewilderment.

The unfamiliar Czechoslovak in the last eight is the uncommonly large Milan Srejber, who beat Becker in Florida earlier this year and has a chance to see if he can do it again. It would be interesting to know which has the faster service. Facing either must be rather like fielding at silly mid-on when Ian Botham is in full cry.

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Checking out: a two-fisted Wilander could not repel Mecir's weight of shot

CRICKET

Somerset will not be held at gunpoint

By Paul Martin

Despite compromise proposals by a faction at Somerset for Viv Richards and Joel Garner to play in some matches next year, the club will not backtrack on a verbal agreement that their replacement, Martin Crowe, will be entitled to play in all matches for which he is fit, Michael Hill, the club chairman, said yesterday.

Crowe has made it clear that he would expect his contract terms to be fulfilled, otherwise he would consider the contract unable to be fulfilled, and would take up any offers from other counties next season. Essex, he said, had already made him a substantial offer but his first loyalty lay with Somerset.

Nor will the club yield to any ultimatum from Ian Botham or his supporters, Mr Hill said. "No one should be held to ransom or at gunpoint," Mr Hill said. "The club is bigger than any one individual. We would simply say no to any threat."

Peter White, chairman of the Taunton committee, said Botham had told him that he would resign from the club if Richards were not kept on, a message Mr White passed on to Mr Hill and the Press. Botham has been offered a new two-year contract and Mr Hill hoped he would accept it. An ultimatum would, he said, only swing undecided Somerset members against Botham.

Campaigners for the retention of Richards and Garner will not force a special general meeting, though they have enough signatures to do so, unless their compromise plan is rejected by the committee. Mr Hill believes that, although letters for and against the sackings are running even, most members would support the committee at any special meeting. "It was the members who kept demanding we should not lose the services of Crowe," he said.

The compromise formula being developed by a leading Somerset figure, Roy Kerslake, has been made possible by a reinterpretation of the rules governing overseas players. It appears that as all three overseas cricketers had been on the club's books before the Test and County Cricket Board stipulated that only two such players could be registered, all three could remain.

When Crowe plays, Richards and Garner would have to drop out but Richards and Garner could play together, as they were registered before the first limitations.

The club, it emerges, had initially mooted a reduced role for the two West Indians, which, they say, they had declined until the sackings "concentrated their minds". According to Mr Kerslake, the two men favour a compromise and have intimated that they might benefit from a more restful year. But Tony Brown, the club secretary, expressed deep scepticism that any such compromise could work; it would be up to the proposers to show it.

Another drawback was financial: the club had no desire to pay wages to players seldom used, Mr Hill said. Regarding suggestions that sponsors might be found to pay for Richards and Garner, he said he would welcome such a move for any of his players in less extraordinary circumstances but money was still not the main consideration.

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GOLF

Lyle and Stadler hope to expunge bitter memories

From Mitchell Platts, Crans-Montana

Sandy Lyle has spared the Ebel European Masters, the richest tour event this season apart from the Open championship, the embarrassment of unfolding without Europe's acknowledged top golfers.Lyle swings into action on the Crans-sur-Sierre course today but Severiano Ballesteros and Bernhard Langer are absent and Nick Faldo has withdrawn because of a wrist injury.

The Ebel European Masters is worth £250,000, with a first prize of £42,000, but the Swiss organizers have always leaned towards enticing American golfers to compete rather than persuading Ballesteros and Langer to play.In truth the likes of Howard Clark, Sam Torrance and Lyle cannot complain if the defending champion, Craig Stadler, and his American compatriots, Johnny Miller, Donnie Hammond, Sam Randolph and Roger Maltbie are being paid as the sponsors have substantially increased the prize fund.Morever, Ebel, who have signed a contract to support the championship for a further five years, are likely to force the prize fund to more than £300,000 next year.

What worries PGA officials is the stubborness of local organizers to accept that the championship would have more prestige if Ballesteros and Langer were not denied their usual appearance money fees of around $50,000 and $35,000 respectively.

In essence, appearance money always attracts controversy, yet it is a necessary evil. Nobody can dispute that the agents in the game are not performing the correct role for their clients by engineering such payments, nor that championships take on a new lease of life when Ballesteros and Langer tee up.

It will never be systematically erased from the scene, although it might one day wither and die if prize funds on the PGA European Tour continue to climb towards those in the United States.But Ballesteros, resting at home, and Langer, who will be playing in an exhibition match with Greg Norman and Tom Watson in Paris this weekend, will certainly not take a pay cut while American golfers are receiving huge sums to perform.

Meanwhile, the show goes on with Stadler hoping to retain the title and expunge the memory of his two most recent sorties into Europe. He was compelled to retire through injury after the first round of the Open championship, then lost a play-off for the Scandinavian Open after being three shots ahead with three holes to play.

Lyle, too, has bitter memories of this Alpine course which in the winter becomes a nursery slope for hopeful skiers. It was here three years ago that he moved so far clear of the field that winning appeared a formality but he lost his way over the closing 27 holes and Faldo beat him in a play-off.

Gordon J Brand, Clark, Torrance and Ian Woosnam bolster the British challenge while Peter Baker, who has now been given an invitation to the Panasonic European Open at Sunningdale next week, will hope to win at least the £1,500 he now requires to earn his tour card for next season.

Wennersten surprises field

By John Hennnessy

It was, after all, "the other" Swede who took the lead on the first day of the Bowring Scottish Open women's championship at Dalmahoy yesterday. Liselotte Neumann, aged 20, the runaway leader in the WPGA order of merit, may have been tolerably satisfied with her 73, one over par, but neither she nor anyone else could match the 69 of her elder compatriot, Marie Wennersten.

One shot behind, lurking menacingly, is Laura Davies, winner of the order of merit last year, and, surprisingly, Patricia Gonzalez, the former Colombian champion, and Suzanne Strudwick, the former England junior champion. Miss Wennersten, a good enough golfer to have played on the United States tour in 1984, produced a model round of 15 par figures and three birdies. Miss Wennersten and Miss Davies had the worst of the conditions for the day.

Moreover, with the course set up back to front, they had the more difficult half to cope with first. But Miss Wennersten, aged 28, brought her experience and held her game together for 13 successive par figures. The vulnerable 406 yard 14th then came into view and her putt from the edge of the green, after two woods, was only a millimetre away from an eagle, and she finished with two threes, with a nine iron to two yards at the 17th and a fanned iron to four yards at the last.

Miss Davies and Miss Strudwick shared a common depressing experience in dropping shots at three successive holes. Miss Davies thereafter did not put a foot wrong and Miss Strudwick made amends with an eagle at the 14th and a birdie at the 17th. But both they and Miss Gonzalez missed the obvious chance of a birdie at the 224 yard 18th for a share of the lead.

LEADING SCORES: 69: M Wennersten (Swe). 70: L Davies, P Gonzalez (Col), S Strudwick. 71: M Walker, J Soulsby, M Marshall (US). 72: G Stewart, P Conley (US), K Espinasse (Fr), T Fernando (Sri Lanka), B New. 73: A Nicholas, L Neumann (Swe), K Douglas. 74: F Dassu (It), C Friend (US), J Forrest, N Hollis (US), N McCormack, Maxine Burton, R Comstock (US), A Sheard (SA), K Lunn (Aus). 75: B Cooper-Luckin, D Heinicke (US), J Connachan, C Dibnah (Aus), Marion Burton, C Waite, M Thomson, B Lewis, D Reid.

HORSE TRIALS

Leng poised for fourth win

By Jenny MacArthur

Virginia Leng, the reigning world and European champion, attempts her fourth successive win at the Remy Martin horse trials which start today in the grounds of Burghley House, near Stamford in Lincolnshire.

The fact that Mrs Leng is without her two top horses (Priceless is resting and Night Cap competes in this month's Polish championships) is of little comfort to her fellow competitors. Mrs Leng and her powerful supporting team headed by her mother, Heather Holgate, have timed to perfection Murphy Himself's arrival at Burghley.

He won the Avenches three day event in Switzerland two years ago as a six-year-old, completed Chatsworth last year and won Le Touquet three day event in France this year. The next rung on the ladder is Burghley, which Mrs Leng aims to win again. As she said a few days ago: "I have been so lucky at Burghley it might be nice for someone else to win but I am not going to give it away."

Apart from the United States' dual world champion, Bruce Davidson, with his Gatcombe winner, J J Babu, and New Zealand's Mark Todd with his Badminton ride Michaelmas Day, Mrs Leng's main opposition is likely to come from those who were in the winning teams with her at last year's European championships, held at Burghley, and this year's world championships in Australia.

Ian Stark, a member of both those teams, has retired his championship horse, Oxford Blue to the hunting field and his Badminton winner, Sir Wattie, has been selected for the Polish championships. But, like Mrs Leng, he has quietly been bringing along a young horse, Glenburnie. He was fourth at Le Touquet, his first international three day event, and was third at last month's Scottish championships which Stark won on Sir Wattie.

Lorna Clarke, also a member of both championship teams, is seeking her third Burghley win and could well achieve it with Deborah Watson's 11-year-old, Myross, providing he puts his best foot forward in the dressage. Myross brought his rider the individual silver medal last year and the individual bronze in Australia. A win this weekend for the popular Mrs Clarke would be both timely and remarkable, Myross and Anne-Marie Taylor's Justin Thyme being the only two British horses at Burghley who also competed at the world championships in May.

Two other dual winners of Burghley competing this year are Lucinda Green, now riding as sharply as ever after the birth of her son last year, and Richard Walker. Mrs Green had a relatively new partner in Nigel Taylor's former ride, Count de Bolebec, but had a reassuring outing on him at Ireland's Punchestown three day event in May where they were fourth. Walker is riding Accumulator who was on superb form at Gatcombe where they finished seventh.

At Badminton this year four out of the top six places were filled by men and Burghley could see a similar result. Robert Lemieux has two good prospects in The Gamesmaster and The Poser

RUGBY LEAGUE

Fulham's closure temporary

By Keith Macklin

Fulham could make a speedy return to the second division within a fortnight of their closure. The Rugby League council, meeting in Leeds yesterday,received a proposition from a London consortium which promised to re-form the Fulham club and play games at Chiswick Polytechnic.

David Howes, the League's public relations officer, said that Fulham seemed to have been saved "at the thirteenth hour." Howes said that some of the proposed consortium were previous members of the Fulham management committee. If the attempt to revive Fulham is successful, the club will reappear to play the Lancashire Cup first round tie against Whitehaven in Cumbria, on September 14, and would then play the home League game with Sheffield the following Saturday.

The revival of Fulham is dependent on the consortium producing plans which are in line with the Rugby League's rules on financial backing and administration, but League officials were confident last night that Fulham could take their place again in the second division.

At the start of the present season, Fulham withdrew because Paul Faires, their new chairman, believed the club could not last a full season with its present support

The return of Fulham would be an immense relief to Rugby League officials, who had to rearrange second division fixtures in a manner which caused protests from some clubs.

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SPORT IN BRIEF

Tough test for Britons

Port Cervo, Sardinia — Britain have sent their strongest team yet to capture the Sardinia Cup — Italy's equivalent of the Admiral's Cup — which starts today with a 30-mile inshore race (Barry Pickthall writes). But with 11 other nations also fielding good boats, they face formidable competition over the five-race series, particularly from the Germans, holders of both the Sardinia and Admiral's cups.

The Humphreys-designed Marionette, skippered by the team leader Chris Dunning, and Martin Gibson's Pocket Battleship, drawn by Ed Dubois, have been modified since failing to be selected for Britain's Admiral's Cup team last year. The third member of the team is Stephen Fein's latest one-tonner Full Pelt, another Dubois design which should prove her potential in the seasonally strong winds experienced in this part of the Mediterranean.

David Howlett, who finished third in last month's threequarter-ton cup, has a hand on the helm of Marionette while Pocket Battleship's crew have been strengthened with the inclusion of Edward Heath's former sailing master Owen Parker, together with helmsman Andrew Hurst.

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Whitaker: bouncing back

Whitaker tops

James Whitaker, the Leicestershire batsman, has been named the Britannic Assurance player-of-the-month for August. Whitaker, aged 24, returned to the side after injury on August 6 and made three centuries and two fifties. His nine innings produced 551 runs at an average of 91, with a top score of 175. Essex were named team-of-the-month.

Bad break

Phil Hogan, the Hull Kingston Rovers international Rugby League forward, faces another operation on his arm after breaking it for the second time in six months during last Sunday's opening match at Barrow.

Boulter blow

The British Olympic Association announced yesterday that John Boulter, the former Olympic athlete, has turned down his appointment as general secretary to the association. In a letter to Charles Palmer, the BOA chairman, Boulter said: "After six weeks of increasingly desperate search, my wife and I are forced to the conclusion that we cannot afford to buy a house in which we would be prepared to live, within a reasonable distance of the BOA office in Wandsworth."

For the past 14 years Boulter has been an executive with a major sportswear company in France.

Smith samba

Robert Smith, the international showjumper from Yorkshire, will compete at three shows in Brazil this month. His first is at Sao Paulo, starting tomorrow, followed by Belo Horizonte which includes a World Cup qualifying event, between September 11 to 14, and finally at Rio de Janeiro, also a World Cup show, from September 19 to 21.

Albania back

Albania will be represented at the Balkan Games for the first time in 52 years when Ayat Toska, a hammer thrower, competes in this year's Games

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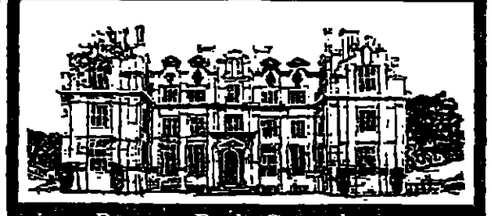

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Send-off for the Titanic's lifeboat

Simon Barnes

Football is in a pretty bad way at the moment. True, this information does not come as a hold-the-front-page surprise. But football and the Government have got together to do something about it: now that really does come as a shock. They have launched a scheme called "Football in the Community", and they gave it a send-off yesterday at, of all places, Oldham Athletic.

Football is taking it seriously, and so is the Government. Mr Richard Tracey, Minister for Sport, and Ian Lang, Employment Minister, were both at Oldham as cheerleaders. The idea of the scheme is to restore football's image, and to do something about hooliganism and unemployment at the ssame time. One is at once tempted to scoff. It sounds like an attempt to bail out the Titanic with a pint pot. But actually the scheme seems full of good sense and good intentions.

Since the North-West is equally famous for unemployment and football, it seems the right place to start. Six clubs are involved in this pilot project, which has been launched on a quarter of a million pounds of Government money from the Manpower Services Commission. The clubs involved are Manchester United, Manchester City, Bolton Wanderers, Bury, Preston North End, and, naturally, Oldham.

The scheme has established temporary jobs for the long-term unemployed, jobs which are intended to improve their chances of getting a permanent job later on. At the same time, the six clubs will open their doors to the public for sporting and other leisure activities. The newly-employed people will be there to make it all work.

A football club is a major asset: to use it but once a fortnight has long been an obvious nonsense. Oldham, with their shiny new plastic pitch, can welcome people onto their playing surface all day long without turning a hair. The other clubs all have a lot of space and other facilities to offer.

A football ground is a mausoleum 13 days of the fortnight: the scheme will turn it into a busy part of town. "Closer links with the community" are what the scheme is all about. It sounds a good deal for both the clubs and the community. There is also an emphasis on bringing in people from inner city areas and, in particular, ethnic minorities.

An anti-hooliganism programme has been built into the project. There will be plenty of visits and talks, which will bring in the footballers themselves. Education and influence, they call it. It is a further aspect of bring town and club closer together. There is no claim that this is the instant solution, but anyone making any kind of intelligent effort in this direction is doing the right thing.

Mr Tracey was quite keen to talk about the whole thing in terms of image. Image is what football has got to improve, he said. His use of a marketing term was not accidental, the very mention of football now tends to raise a Pavlovian shudder in many people: including those who once went every week.

Football needs people, it needs to be accepted, it needs to be loved again. This is an economic necessity. Football has got to come over as something other than nasty and brutish if it is to regain acceptance. In other words, football's troubles mean that the game is simply forced to become altruistic.

"Football in the Community" is full of honest, earnest endeavour to be just that. The idea is, in the words of Tom Lehrer, "doing well by doing good." If it is seen to work, it will be expanded to bring in all 92 League clubs, which will bring in £4 million of Government money and create 1,000 jobs. Perhaps the whole thing is best regarded not as a pint-pot bailer on the Titanic, but as a lifeboat. Well, if so, God bless all who sail in her.

Converting the mausoleums

Norwich loss

Last season's second division champions Norwich City have announced a loss of £410,000 on the season. The club paid a high price for maintaining a first division wage structure during their successful campaign, during which salaries topped £1 million. But Norwich have taken nearly half a million pounds in season ticket sales this summer, and expect to make a large profit this season.

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